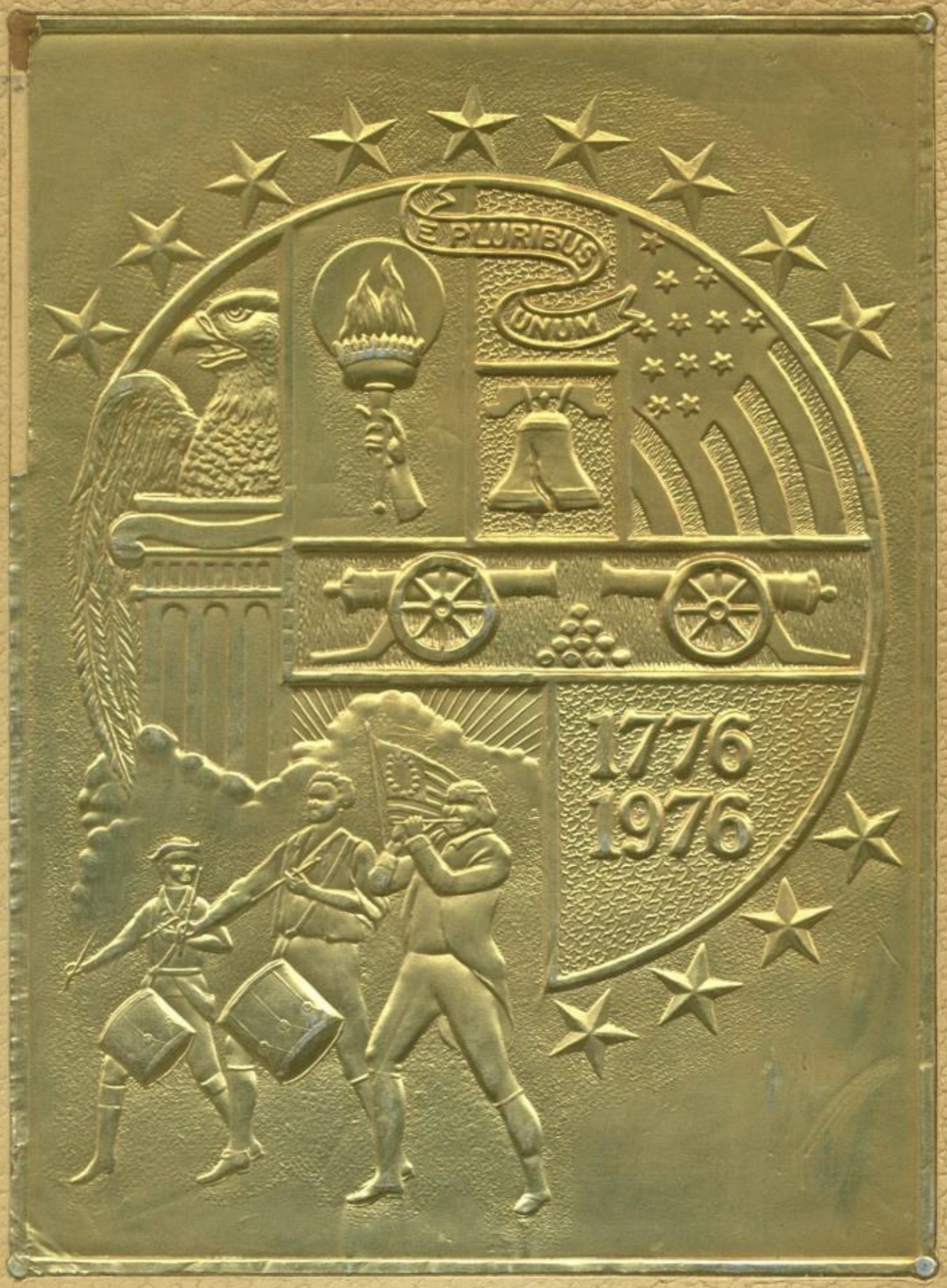

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The Uncle Sam Chronicles: 199 Years of the United States of America

1976, as all of us know by now, marks the 200th anniversary of American independence. The philosopher-historian George Santayana warned that those of us who do not learn from history are doomed to repeat it. Another famous man said that while one may not always find truth in history, at least history is truth, by definition. Fortunately, it is not our task to argue the truth or falsehood of pronouncements like these, but merely to explore some of the back alleys of our past in search of...what? Truth, beauty, meaning, the mysteries of life,

American history did not begin in 1776, of course, any more than Columbus discovered the place in 1492. Civilizations flourished on both continents of the Western Hemisphere centuries before the Nina, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria sailed into the Caribbean. Leif Ericson showed up around 1000 and called the country Vinland. The first baby of European parentage was born in 1007, and they called the kid Snorro. Snorro and his Viking parents did not stay long.

"America" was first used as a name in 1507, after the explorer Amerigo Vespucci. Billiards were introduced to St. Augustine, Florida, in 1565, and pocket pool made it to River City, Iowa, in 1900. The first beer was brewed in Roanoke, Virginia, in 1587, followed by popcorn in 1630, the same year that the first salt works were built. The first recorded duel took place in 1621, and potatoes were introduced to American soil the following year.

Harvard College was established in 1636, and the first Swedes arrived in Delaware in 1638. Slavery was introduced at Jamestown, Virginia in 1619; and the first corporation, the New York Fishing Company, was chartered in 1675. The first known newspaper advertisement appeared in the Boston *News Letter* in 1704, and golf was flourishing by 1729.

July 4, 1776. Declaration of Independence signed, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. There is no indication that Japanese fireworks were set off to commemorate the event. There was no school that day, since it was summer.

1776. First cocktail mixed. A customer asks Betsy Flanagan, a barmaid in Elmsford, New York, for a glass of cocktails, referring to a jar of tailfeathers kept behind the bar for decoration. Betsy obliges by garnishing his drink with a feather, which also becomes the first swizzle stick.

1776. First submarine. *American Turtle* is built by David Bushnell of Saybrook, Connecticut, and propelled by a hand-turned screw. The *Turtle* is used successfully to affix a bomb to Admiral Howe's flagship, *Eagle.*

February 6, 1777. France becomes first nation to recognize United States.

June, 1778. Secret Service organized.

1780. First slave emancipated. Elizabeth Freeman freed by trial at Barrington, Massachusetts.

March 1, 1780. Pennsylvania passes a law calling for "the gradual abolition of slavery."

October 19, 1781. Cornwallis surrenders at Yorktown.

September 3, 1783. American independence formally recognized by England at the Peace of Versailles.

October 6, 1783. Benjamin Hanks of Litchfield, Massachusetts takes out a patent on the first perpetual motion machine in the United States.

July 17, 1784. Thirteen year-old Edward Warren makes the first balloon flight in America. Edward, who returns to earth safely, is luckier than the balloon's designer, Peter Carnes, who crashes one month later.

September, 1784. James Rumsey invents the motor boat.

the indomitable American Spirit, the eternal verities? Maybe, but you won't find those here, either. Keep looking somewhere else if you're interested. What we have for you is an America that is usually forgotten, sometimes not even remembered, occasionally best left undisturbed beneath its rock. Your history books have given you the hopes, dreams, promises and realizations of America. For our 200th birthday, we give you a second look. And we give it to you one year early.

Benjamin Franklin conducted the first electric turkey dinner in Philadelphia in 1749, describing the event by letter: "A turkey is to be killed for our dinner by the electric shock and roasted by the electrical jack, before a fire kindled by the electrified bottle; when the healths of all the famous electricians in England, Holland, France and Germany are to be drank in electrified bumpers, under the discharge of guns from the electrified battery." This was the beginning of 224 years of profligate use of electric power by Americans, a custom that continued unreversed until 1973. The turkey was served well done.

"Yankee Doodle" was written in 1755 by Dr. Richard Shuckburgh at Albany, New York, as a putdown of straggly federals. Later the song was played at the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown.

By the time of independence, New York had a Chamber of Commerce, a law school, and a medical college; mustard was being manufactured in Philadelphia, and an inclined railway had been constructed in Lewiston, New York. Two days before independence, New Jersey became the first colony to grant suffrage to women. Later New Jersey rescinded the law, declaring in 1807 that only free, white male citizens could vote.

1785. Dr. John Greenwood introduces the first porcelain false teeth to America and the world. One of Greenwood's first customers is George Washington.

October 26, 1785. George Washington imports first jackasses from Spain.

1787. Levi Hutchins invents the alarm clock. Once set, the time of the alarm cannot be changed.

September 17, 1787. Constitution is signed.

September 13, 1788. New York named capital of United States.

April 30, 1789. George Washington inaugurated. John Adams is Vice President, Thomas Jefferson Secretary of State, Alexander Hamilton Secretary of Treasury.

September 15, 1789. James Fenimore Cooper born.

1790. James Dearham becomes first black doctor.

1790. George Vancouver explores the Pacific Northwest coast.

1790. John Carroll is consecrated as Bishop of Baltimore, first Catholic bishop in the United States.

3,939,326

March 1, 1790. First census records 3,939,326 Americans.

April 17, 1790. Benjamin Franklin dies.

1791. Washington, D.C. is platted.

March 4, 1791. Vermont becomes a state.

1792. First Conscription Law passes. Every white male between 18 and 45 is ordered to enroll in the militia and to provide his own weapon and cartridges. No punishment is specified for non-compliance.

April 9, 1792. First macadam road between Philadelphia and Lancaster.

April 16, 1792. First chuckhole.

May 17, 1792. New York Stock Exchange meets at the Merchants Coffee House.

October 13, 1792. Architect James Hoban lays cornerstone for White House.

June 20, 1793. Eli Whitney applies for a patent on the cotton gin.

September 18, 1793. Cornerstone of Capitol layed. Architect is William Thornton. Capitol completed in 1830.

June, 1798. Oliver Evans manufactures the first practical steam engine.

December 14, 1799. George Washington dies.

December 15, 1799. The Bill of Rights, the first ten amendments to the United States Constitution, is passed. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Century.

1799. Jonathan Grout invents and installs a 90-mile semaphore signal system between Boston and Martha's Vineyard. A message and reply took ten minutes, but Grout kept getting a busy signal.

March 4, 1801. Thomas Jefferson becomes president.

April 3, 1803. United States purchases Louisiana Territory from France for $15 million.

May 14, 1804. Lewis and Clark leave St. Louis for the Pacific Coast.

July 4th, 1804. Nathaniel Hawthorne born.

1807. First soda pop. Townsend Speakman, great grandfather of the Pepsi generation, adds fruit juice to soda water and sells it as medicine.

February 27, 1807. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow born.

August 7, 1807. Robert Fulton's steamboat *Clermont* makes its first run on the Hudson River.

August 29, 1809. Oliver Wendell Holmes born.

December 13, 1809. Dr. Ephraim McDowell performs the first abdominal operation on Mrs. Jane Todd. She was 45 and lived to be 78.

1811. An anonymous taxpayer returns $5 to the government, which he said he had defrauded. In 1916 the government received an anonymous payment of $54,923.15.

June 18, 1812. United States declares war on Great Britain.

August 19, 1812. First woman marine, Ruth Streeter fought aboard the *U.S.S. Constitution.* If anybody knew she was a woman at that time, he wouldn't admit it.

December 1, 1813. British forces burn the city of Buffalo.

August 24, 1814. British burn Washington, D.C. and the White House.

December 24, 1814. The Treaty of Ghent concludes the War of 1812. The United States Army recorded 531,622 enlistments, but some militiamen enlisted as many as ten times. There was a bonus for enlistment.

January 8, 1815. British defeated at New Orleans . The war had been over for more than three weeks but neither side had heard the news.

March 4, 1817. James Monroe becomes fifth president.

July 12, 1817. Henry David Thoreau born.

November 25, 1817. Senaa Samma of Madras swallows a sword at Washington Hall, New York, manufactured for him by William Pye.

May 21, 1819. The first bicycle is ridden in New York City. Two months later, the city bans them on sidewalks, streets, and in public places.

August 2, 1819. Charles Guiee makes the first parachute jump. Ascending in a balloon, he plummets 300 feet before his umbrella-like chute opens, then is put in a holding pattern by the LaGuardia tower but is blown four miles out of New York.

"In its mythology is the true measure of a nation's strength. For what is national character if not the sum of the people's hopes and dreams, failures and triumphs? What does it matter, really, if Johnny Appleseed lived or did not live. Today, in the collective mind of the American people, he is every bit as real and as human as Teddy Roosevelt, Charles Lindbergh, or Donald Duck."

May 12, 1820. Florence Nightingale born.

October 24, 1820. Spain cedes Florida to the United States.

April 27, 1822. Ulysses S. Grant born.

December 2, 1823. Monroe Doctrine closes the Americas to foreign colonization.

1824. Natural gas is used to illuminate Freedonia, New York.

January 19, 1825. Ezra Daggett and Thomas Kensett invent the tin can.

1826. *The Last of the Mohicans* by James Fenimore Cooper is published.

July 4, 1826. Thomas Jefferson dies.

1827. Harrison Gray Byar builds a two-mile telegraph system at Long Island City 65 years before Edison's patent.

1834. The New York *Sun* announces that an astronomer has sighted men on the moon. They are described as being four feet high and able to fly with their own wings. Shortly afterwards, the story was admitted to be a hoax. Circulation continued to increase after the admission.

1834. Friction matches are manufactured in Springfield, Massachusetts.

November 30, 1835. Samuel Langhorne Clemens (Mark Twain) born.

1836. Texas declares itself independent of Mexico.

February 25, 1836. Samuel Colt invents the revolver.

April 16, 1836. Massachusetts passes the first child labor law, requiring all children to attend school at least three months a year. Six years later, children under 12 are prohibited from working more than ten hours a day.

1838. Pierre Maspero, a New Orleans saloonkeeper offers the country's first recorded free lunch.

Buck Rodgers
Davy Crockett
Johnny Appleseed
Tarzan
Charles Lindbergh
Wild Bill Hickock
Tom Swift
Martin Luther King
Jim Thorpe
Joe Louis
Shirley Temple
Tom Sawyer
The Lone Ranger
John Glenn
Dick Tracy
John Brown

Little Orphan Annie
Jean Harlow
Jessie Owens
Gibson Girl
Kate Smith
Superman
Rudolph Valentino
Clark Gable
Paul Bunyan
Annie Oakley
Sergeant York
Audie Murphy
Babe Ruth
Uncle Sam
Sam Houston
Kit Carson
Charlie Chaplin
Howdy Doody
Pecos Bill
Dear Abby
Humphrey Bogart
Gary Cooper
Neil Armstrong
Marcus Garvey
Daniel Webster
John Paul Jones
Robert E. Lee
Mickey Mouse
Will Rogers
Pocohontas
Lassie
Andrew Jackson
Billy The Kid
Betty Boop
John Henry
Charlie Parker
Mr. Natural
Louis Armstrong
Elvis Presley
Billy Jean King
Marilyn Monroe
Daniel Boone

1839. First baseball game played at Cooperstown, New York.

1839. Charles Goodyear vulcanizes rubber.

July 8, 1839. John D. Rockefeller born.

1840. 2,816 miles of railway are in operation in the United States.

August 30, 1842. Congress levies a tax of 75 cents a pound on opium. It had previously been duty-free.

December, 1842. Dr. Crawford Williamson Long of Jefferson, Georgia, uses anesthesia in an operation, removing a tumor from the back of James M. Venable. The bill for the operation was $2.25, including 25 cents for the anesthetic.

November 23, 1844. James Polk defeats Henry Clay for the Presidency by 170 electoral votes to 105.

WAR

March 4, 1845. Texas is annexed, triggering the Mexican-American war.

July 1, 1845. David Levi Yulee of Florida becomes the nation's first Jewish senator.

June, 1846. Brigham Young and the Mormons leave Nauvoo City on their way to the Great Salt Lake.

June 14, 1846. 49th Parallel is established as the boundary between Oregon Territory and Canada.

December 28, 1846. Iowa becomes a state.

1847. The Mormons found Salt Lake City.

February 11, 1847. Thomas Alva Edison born.

March 3, 1847. Alexander Graham Bell born.

1848. Tom Hyer becomes the first American boxing champion.

1848. The first chewing gum is manufactured by John Curtis on his Franklin stove. He called it *The State of Maine Pure Spruce Gum,* but it didn't sell, so he doubled his pleasure, doubled his fun and came out with some new flavors: *Licorice Lulu, Yankee Spruce,* and *200 Lump Spruce.*

1848. All or parts of New Mexico, Texas, California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Wyoming, and Colorado are acquired from Mexico.

January 24, 1848. James W. Marshall discovers gold at Sutter's Creek, California.

July 19, 1848. Amelia Jenks Bloomer introduces bloomers at the first women's rights convention at Seneca Falls, New York.

October 7, 1849. Edgar Allen Poe dies. **October 21, 1849.** First recorded exhibition of a tattooed man, New York City.

1850. Nathaniel Hawthorne's *The Scarlet Letter* is published. **September 9, 1850.** California becomes a state.

September, 1851. *New York Times* begins publication. **1853.** Antioch College grants equal rights to women.

March 13, 1852. The first newspaper cartoon depicting Uncle Sam is published.

March 20, 1854. The Republican Party is christened by Aldan Earle Bovay at Ripon, Wisconsin.

July 25, 1854. Walter Hunt invents the paper collar. **October 15, 1854.** John Brown raids Harper's Ferry.

November 5, 1855. Eugene Debs born. **November 28, 1856.** Woodrow Wilson born.

1857. Joseph C. Gayetty of New York merchandises the first commercial toilet paper. Selling for 50¢ for 500 sheets, it claims to assist in the prevention of piles.

1859. George Huntington Hartford adds tea to his hide and leather business, forming the first link in what was to become the largest supermarket chain in the world, The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, or the A&P, as we call it.

February 14, 1859. Oregon becomes a state.

August 17, 1859. The first airmail is carried en route from Lafayette, Indiana, to New York in a balloon piloted by John Wise, who ran out of hot air 27 miles south of his takeoff point. Wise later became the first aerial bombardier, demonstrating a new form of warfare by tossing dynamite sticks out of a dirigible.

1860. The United States has 30,600 miles of railway tracks.

November 6, 1860. Abraham Lincoln elected President.

December 20, 1860. South Carolina secedes from the Union.

February 4, 1861. Eleven Southern states convene at the Congress of Montgomery under Jefferson Davis.

February 5, 1861. Samuel D. Goodale patents the first peepshow machine, naming it the Mutoscope.

April 12, 1861. 75 year-old Edmond Ruffin fires the first shot in the Civil War at Fort Sumter, South Carolina.

June 18, 1861. The first flycasting contest, held at Utica, New York, is won by George Lennebacker.

1862. The first organized football team is formed at Oneida, New York. They defeat every opponent from 1862 through 1865, and never allow an opposing team to cross their goal line.

February 3, 1862. Thomas Alva Edison publishes a newspaper on a train and distributes it to towns between Port Huron and Detroit, Michigan.

March 9, 1862. *Monitor* defeats *Merrimac.*

July 1, 1862. The first income tax is imposed. It is rescinded in 1872.

September 22, 1862. The Emancipation Proclamation declares that slaves are to be free on January 1, 1863.

February 17, 1864. The *Hunley* becomes the first submarine to sink a warship in combat, dispatching the *U.S.S. Husatonic* to a watery grave with a torpedo. The wave generated by the explosion swamps and sinks the submarine, killing its crew. The hand-cranked craft makes four miles an hour and has no provisions for air. The *Hunley* sinks four different times, killing its crew on each occasion.

April 7, 1864. First camel race in America held at Agricultural Park in Sacramento, California. **May 19, 1864.** Nathaniel Hawthorne dies at 59.

April 9, 1865. Robert E. Lee capitulates at Appomattox. **April 14, 1865.** Abraham Lincoln assassinated.

September 25, 1865. Langdon W. Moore, the first of the big time bank robbers, sticks up a bank in Concord, Massachusetts, and escapes with $310,000.

November 2, 1865. Warren Harding born. **1866.** Arthur Cummings introduces the curve ball to baseball.

December 26, 1865. James H. Mason patents the coffee percolator.

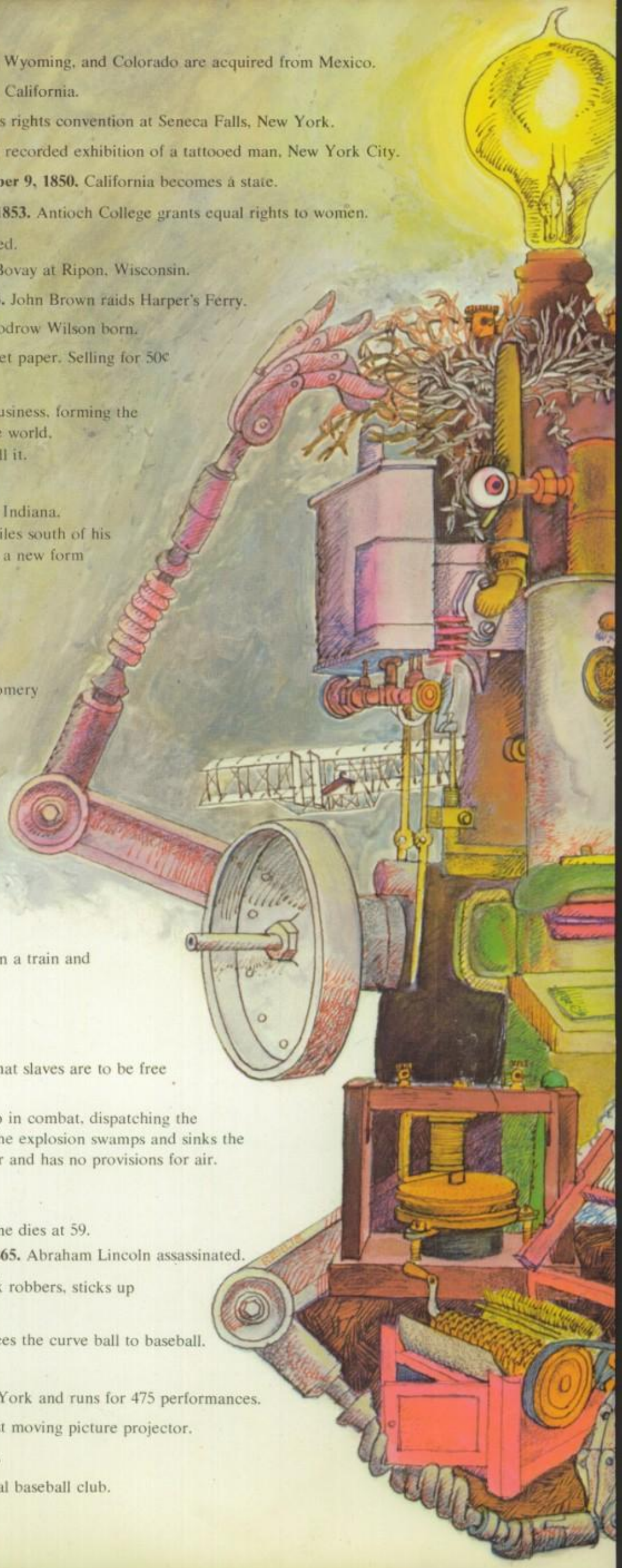
September 12, 1866. The first burlesque show, "Black Crook", opens in New York and runs for 475 performances.

1867. William E. Lincoln of Providence, Rhode Island, patents the first moving picture projector.

June 20, 1867. William Seward purchases Alaska from Russia for $7.2 million.

1868. The Cincinnati Red Stockings become the first professional baseball club.

1868. P.D. Armour's meat packing house opens in Chicago.



1868. Brigham Young opens the first shopping center. Called Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution, it consists of four stores selling dry goods and carpets, men's clothing, groceries, and drugs. The next year he puts all four under the same roof, creating the first discount supermarket.

February 24, 1868. Impeachment begun against President Andrew Johnson. He was impeached by the House and acquitted in the Senate by one vote. (A two-thirds majority is required.) **1869.** Bret Harte publishes *The Outcasts of Poker Flat.*

March 4, 1869. Ulysses S. Grant inaugurated. **May 10, 1869.** Union Pacific and Central Pacific Railroads meet at Promontory, Utah.

January 15, 1870. First cartoon appears depicting the Democrat as a donkey. It appears in *Harper's Weekly* and artist Thomas Nast entitles it "A Live Jackass Kicking a Dead Lion." **1871.** P.T. Barnum and J.A. Bailey open "The Greatest Show on Earth" in Brooklyn, New York.

March 30, 1870. 15th Amendment to the Constitution forbids depriving a citizen his vote because of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

June, 1871. George Westinghouse, inventor of the air brake, gives his employees Saturday afternoons off.

December 29, 1871. Thomas Alva Edison patents the radio. **1872.** Aaron Montgomery Ward founds the first mail order house at Chicago.

August 1, 1873. Cable car service begins in San Francisco. **1874.** George Greenwood of Farmington, Maine, invents earmuffs.

October 6, 1873. Washington Harrison Donaldson, George Ashton Hunt and reporter Alfred Ford attempt to fly across the Atlantic in a 300,000 cubic foot balloon. Riding on a lifeboat suspended by swings, the crew leaves Brooklyn, New York, and flies four hours until running into a storm near New Canaan, New York. **July 1, 1874.** Four year-old Charles Ross of Germantown, Pennsylvania, is the first child to be kidnaped for ransom.

August 10, 1874. Herbert Hoover born. **October 19, 1874.** Mary Walsh and Charles M. Colton are married in a balloon over Cincinnati, Ohio.

November 7, 1874. A cartoon by Thomas Nast entitled "The Third Term Panic" first depicts the Republican as an elephant.

1875. Mark Twain publishes *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer,* the first book written on a typewriter.

1875. Samuel F. O'Reilly draws tattoos electrically. **1876.** The National Baseball League is formed.

1876. Alexander Graham Bell invents the telephone while Thomas Alva Edison is inventing the phonograph. **1877.** Winslow Homer paints *The Cotton-Pickers.*

September 1, 1878. Emma M. Nutt is hired as a telephone operator.

1879. Mary Baker Eddy becomes pastor of a Church of Christ in Boston.

May 28, 1879. Illinois prohibits the employment of women in coal mines.

1880. Former Civil War general Lou Wallace writes *Ben Hur.*

1880. The probation system is established in Boston.

January 26, 1880. Douglas MacArthur born.

March 10, 1880. The Salvation Army lands in New York City and holds services in front of Harryhills Gentlemen's Sporting Theatre where "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is playing.

July 2, 1881. President James Garfield is assassinated by Charles J. Guiteau, a disappointed office seeker. Garfield is succeeded by Chester Arthur, the obscure. **1882.** A ski club is formed at Berlin, New Hampshire.

May, 1882. Chinese immigration is banned for ten years.

1883. Benjamin Franklin Keith opens the first Vaudeville show in Boston, called The Gaiety Museum.

July 4, 1883. Buffalo Bill Cody opens his Wild West Show.

1884. Mark Twain publishes *Huckleberry Finn.*

April 22, 1884. Thomas Stevens leaves San Francisco to bicycle around the world.

May 8, 1884. Harry S. Truman born.

1885. A ten-story skyscraper designed by William Le Baron Jenney is completed in Chicago.

1885. Sylvanus F. Bowser of Fort Wayne, Indiana, manufactures the first gasoline pump and tank. The one-barrel contraption has marble valves.

July 23, 1885. Ulysses S. Grant dies.

November 11, 1885. George Patton born.

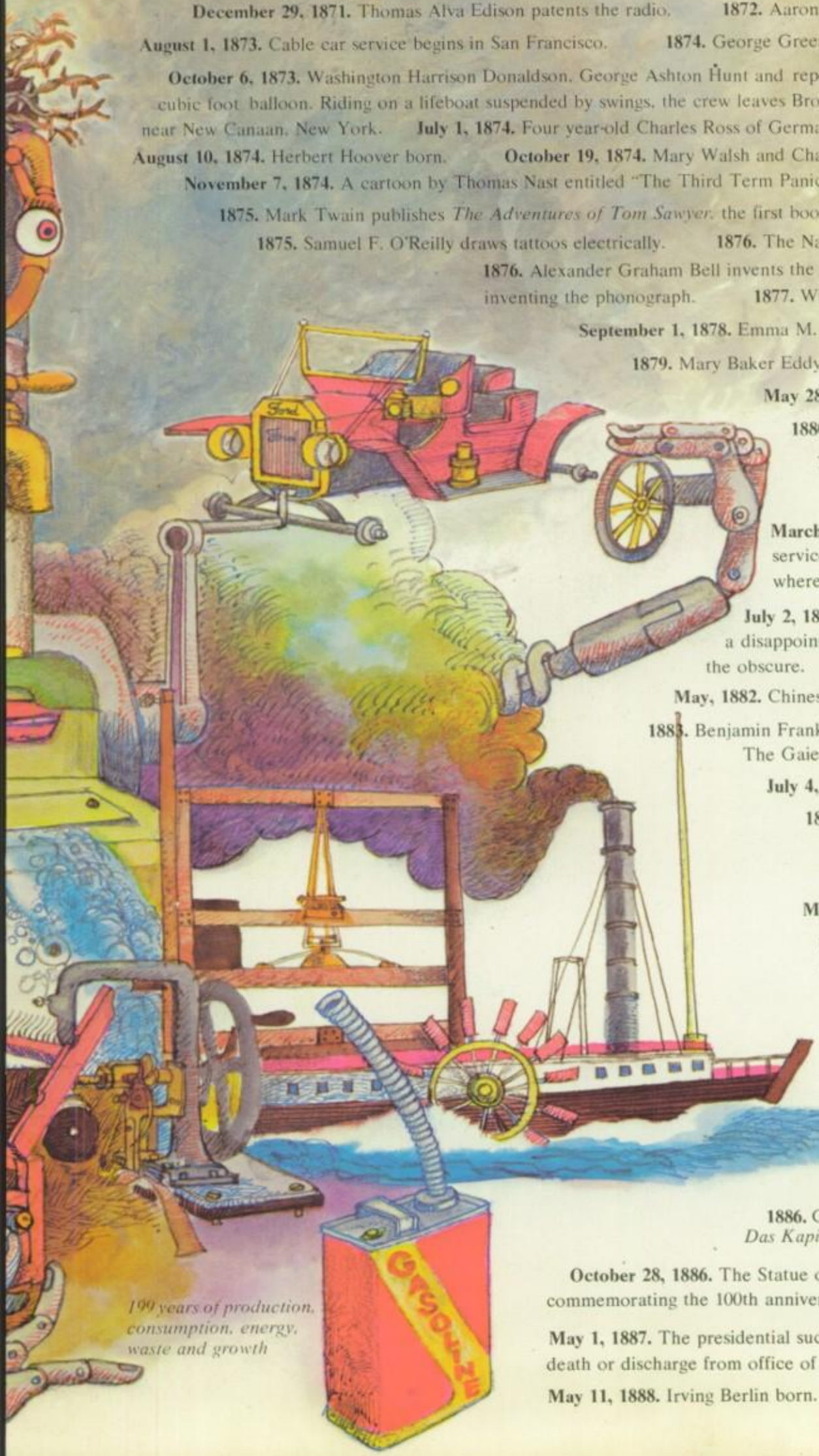
1886. Thomas Stevens rides into San Francisco after bicycling around the world.

1886. Carnegie publishes *Triumphant Democracy.* Marx publishes *Das Kapital.*

October 28, 1886. The Statue of Liberty, a gift of the French people, is unveiled, commemorating the 100th anniversary of American independence.

May 1, 1887. The presidential succession law is enacted to provide for succession in the event of death or discharge from office of both the president and vice-president.

May 11, 1888. Irving Berlin born. **November 20, 1888.** William L. Bundy patents the time clock.



100 years of production, consumption, energy, waste and growth

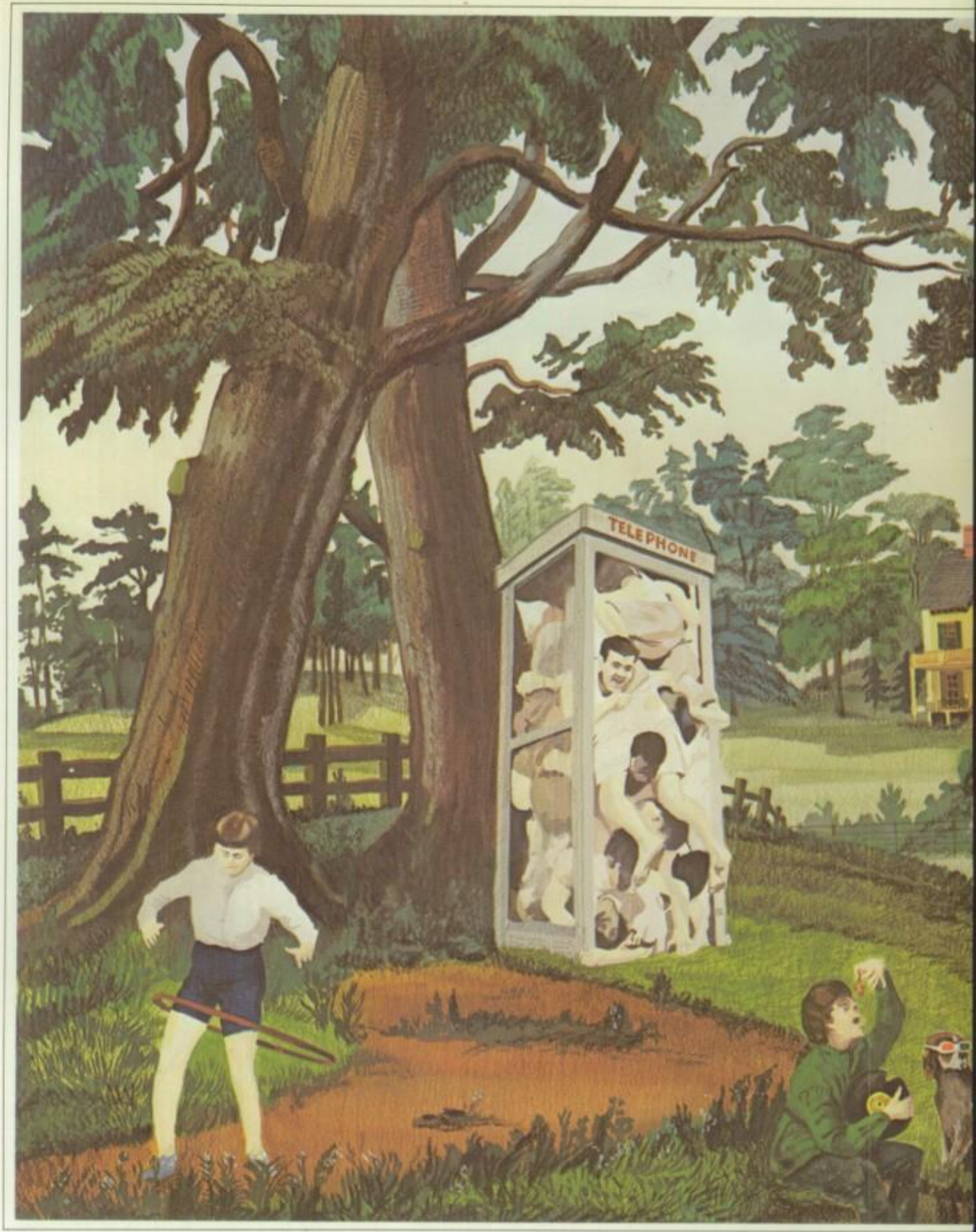
As a young nation, America didn't have all that much time for fads and crazes, since most of us were more concerned with mundane things like clearing fields, building cabins, farming, raising children and working. When people did get together for a little fun, well, there were always witch trials, or killing buffalo from the observation car of a transcontinental train. George Washington and Thomas Jefferson were patrons of cock fighting, and by the mid-1800's phrenology became popular. Generally, however, there just wasn't very much to do. Leisure industries didn't boom until the 40 hour work-week became widespread.

Cycling was introduced in the 1860's. The first were unicycles known as Flying Yankee Wheels. They were popularized by gymnasts, but sales dropped when people began to discover that it took a gymnast to ride one. High-wheeled bicycles followed, and the taller a rider was, the bigger a front wheel he could straddle. Short men took up tricycles. By the turn of the century the bicycle's back wheel was the same size as the front and bicycling became the first true fad, followed quickly by roller skating, and then roller polo, which was a kind of ice hockey on wheels.

When the Civil War ended, fighting men brought home a wide assortment of diseases, and an insatiable demand for remedies and patent medicines. Cures were invented for liver ailment, falling hair, tuberculosis, flabbiness, impotency, indigestion, cancer, polio, and warts. You could order any of them from a wholesale house in Chicago or St. Louis, for 25¢ plus postage and handling. Two reasons for the popularity of these remedies were the most common ingredients: alcohol and opium. Even if people weren't actually cured, at least they didn't care so much.

Trading Cards swept the nation in the mid-1880's, depicting baseball players, politicians, and music hall performers. Playing cards were circulated with caricatures of political figures, and there were even trading cards that pictured patent medicines.

Jazz music's journey up the Mississippi from New Orleans to Chicago is well chronicled, but by the turn of the Twentieth Century it was another indigenous musical form, Ragtime, that was sweeping the country. Nothing remotely as popular appeared on the musical scene until Bill Haley, Fats Domino, Chuck Berry and their friends blew open the 1950's.



AFTER THE DAY'

June, 1888. George Eastman patents and registers his Kodak No. 1, a camera which uses roll film and does not require a tripod or table for support.

1889. Elizabeth Cochrane, a reporter for the New York *World* using the name Nellie Bly, travels around the world in 72 days.

February 22, 1889. The Territories of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Wyoming are annexed.

1890. There are 125,000 miles of railroads in the United States.

July 10, 1890. Wyoming becomes the first state to grant suffrage to women.

August 6, 1890. William Kemmler, the convicted murderer of Matilda Ziegler, becomes the first man to be electrocuted. The electrocution takes place at Auburn Prison, New York.

October 14, 1890. Dwight D. Eisenhower born.

September 28, 1891. Herman Melville dies.

1892. James Naismith introduces basketball at the YMCA Training School in Springfield, Massachusetts. The peach basket employed retains its bottom so that the ball must be removed by hand after each successful goal.

1893. The New York *World* publishes the first comic strip, entitled "Hogan's Alley." The first successful serial strip, "The Yellow Kid," follows.

May 10, 1893. Locomotive 999 of the New York Central attains a speed of more than 112 miles per hour.

Summer, 1893. The Chicago World's Fair.

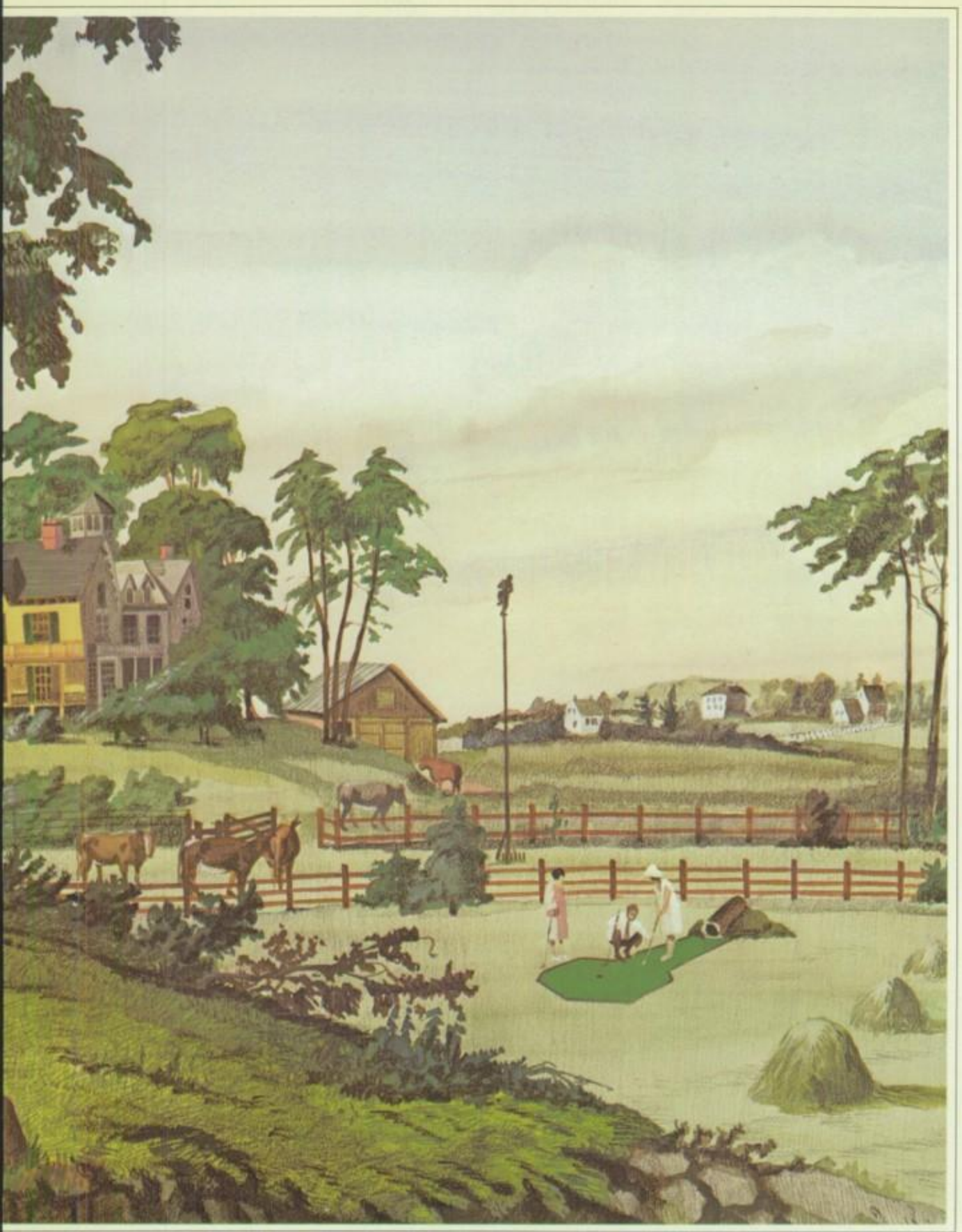
June 9, 1893. Cole Porter born in Peru, Indiana.

1894. Colonel Royal Page Davidson creates the first military bicycle corps at Northwestern Military Academy, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Sixteen cadets ride bicycles equipped with clips for carrying rifles.

1895. William George Morgan of the Holyoke, Massachusetts YMCA invents volleyball.

May 6, 1896. Samuel Pierpont Langley's 26-pound, 16-foot airplane makes the first heavier-than-air propelled flight. Langley's airplane is powered by a one-horsepower steam engine.

May 30, 1896. Henry Wells of Springfield, Massachusetts, driving a Duryea Motor Wagon strikes Evylyn Thomas, who is riding a bicycle, causing the first automobile accident. Wells is incarcerated overnight awaiting a report on Ms. Thomas's injuries.



In 1923, Joseph Babcock transliterated an ancient Chinese game and copyrighted it as Mah Jongg. Mah Jongg was a flash fad. The whole country played it for several months, then the bottom dropped out, leaving $2 million in unsalable Mah Jongg boards in the hands of retailers.

The twin crazes of prohibition and bootlegging totally dominated the 1920's, engrossing the entire population, but with the onset of the Great Depression, hysterical frivolity took on unforeseen dimensions. Flagpole sitting became a national sport, and college students took to swallowing hundreds of live goldfish at a single sitting. While never as popular, phonograph record eating provided considerable diversion.

Chain letters promising huge fortunes were circulated widely during the depression, and the whole country began playing miniature golf.

World War II provided a sobering influence. The population put aside the frantic pursuits of the previous two decades and began saving string and aluminum foil, and blacking out huge cities at night. By the end of the war, America was ready for Frank Sinatra, the biggest heartthrob since Rudolph Valentino. Frankie faded, but was soon followed by Johnny Raye, Frankie Laine, Eddie Fisher, Julius LaRosa, Pat Boone, Elvis Presley, Ricky Nelson, Tom Jones, Johnny Cash, Robert Goulet and Alice Cooper.

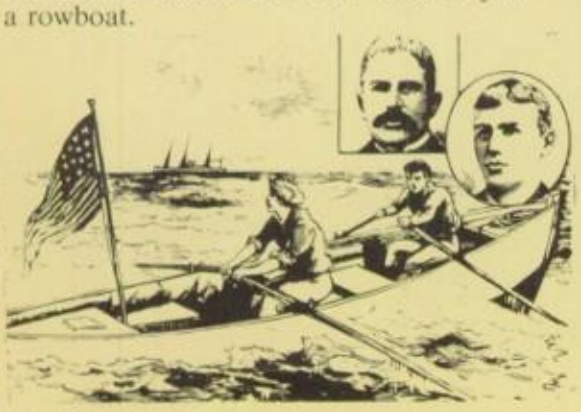
Fess Parker showed up in 1955 on Walt Disney's TV program as Davy Crockett, and caused every kid in the country to go out and buy a coonskin hat. These were worn while hula hooping, trampolining and go-karting. Comic books peaked in the 1950's, and pogo sticks, stilts, and yoyos underwent semiannual revivals.

Backyard bomb shelters heralded the 1960's, a decade of political consciousness that was captioned by pithy bumper stickers of every persuasion. Frisbees were thrown everywhere, underground newspapers were published, and rock music became even more a part of everyday life.

The 60's were years of unrest, assassinations, turmoil, riots and social change. They left America stunned, tired and ready for the 70's and the decade's biggest fad: nostalgia for the remnants of every other decade of the century.

WORK IS DONE

June 17, 1896. George Harpo and Frank Samuelson leave New York City in a rowboat.



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July 31, 1896. George Harpo and Frank Samuelson row their boat into the Scilly Islands off the coast of England.

August 29, 1896. The chef of New York Chinatown leader Li Hung-Chang invents Chop Suey.

1897. T.S. Wheatcraft of Rush, Pennsylvania, introduces the vending machine. His machine dispenses hot, salted peanuts.

April 24, 1898. The *U.S.S. Maine* is sunk in Cuba. War breaks out between the United States and Spain.

May 1, 1898. The United States fleet sinks the Spanish fleet in Manila Bay, The Philippines. No American ships are damaged and no Americans are injured.

July 1, 1898. 7,000 American troops, including the Rough Riders under Colonel Teddy Roosevelt, capture San Juan Hill.

July 7, 1898. Hawaii is annexed.

July 3, 1898. More of the Spanish fleet is destroyed off Cuba. American casualities: one killed, one wounded.

December 10, 1898. Spain cedes Cuba, Puerto Rico, Guam and The Philippines to the United States.

1900. First automat opens in New York City.

1900. The Otis Elevator Company of New York City displays the first escalator at the Paris Exposition.

1900. Motorcycle patented.

March 13, 1901. Benjamin Harrison dies.

September 6, 1901. President William McKinley is shot by anarchist Leon Czolgosz at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo. McKinley dies on September 14 and is succeeded by Teddy Roosevelt.

September 12, 1901. King Camp Gillette organizes a company for the manufacture of safety razors. In 1903 he sells 51 razors.

October 24, 1901. A.E. Taylor becomes the first man to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel.

November 16, 1901. A.C. Bostwich drives 60 miles per hour at Ocean Parkway in Brooklyn.

December 5, 1901. Walt Disney born.

December 16, 1901. Margaret Mead born.

August 25, 1902. An Arabic daily newspaper, *Al-Hoda* is published in Philadelphia.

1903. New York Stock Exchange built.

1903. "The Great Train Robbery" is the first motion picture with a plot.

June 18, 1903. E.P. Fetch and Marcus Krarup leave San Francisco in a one-cylinder Packard.

August 21, 1903. E.P. Fetch and Marcus Krarup arrive in New York City.

December 16, 1903. The Majestic Theatre in New York employs usherettes.

December 17, 1903. Orville Wright pilots a 745-pound airplane 852 feet in 59 seconds. Average speed is 31 miles an hour.

January 9, 1904. George Balanchine born.

May 4, 1904. Work begins on the Panama Canal.

December 27, 1904. Marlene Dietrich born.

1906. Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* exposes conditions in the Chicago stockyards and meat-packing plants.

April 14, 1906. Teddy Roosevelt coins the term "muckraker" to describe Sinclair and his fellow crusading writers.

April 18-19, 1906. San Francisco earthquake and fire kill 452.

June 30, 1906. Pure Food and Drug Act passes.

October 11, 1906. The San Francisco School Board orders segregation of all Japanese, Chinese and Korean children into separate Oriental schools.

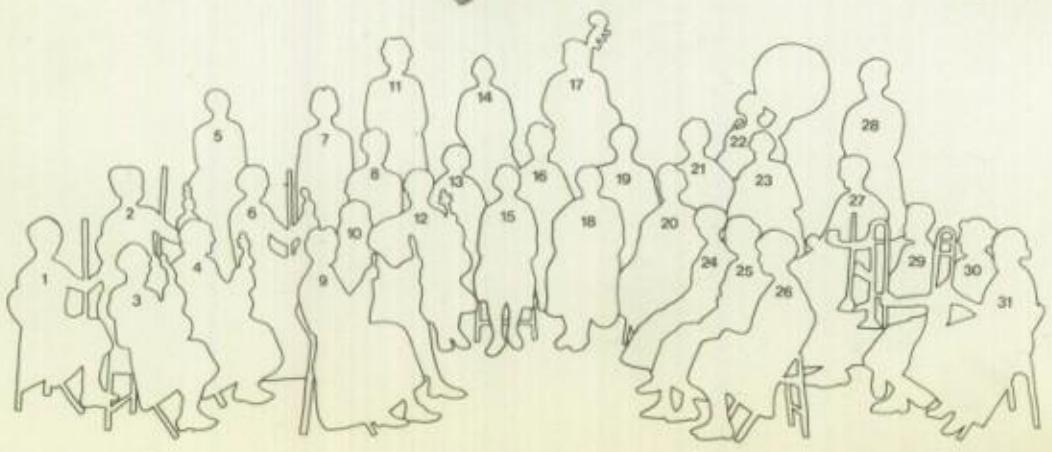
1907. There are 236,900 miles of railroads in operation in the United States.

1907. A.L.R. Locke is the first black Rhodes Scholar.

1907. Electric washing machine marketed is Chicago.

January 23, 1907. Charles Curtis of Kansas is the first native American to serve in the Senate.

March 9, 1907. Indiana enacts legalization of sterilization.



Not all these famous women play musical instruments.

***1.** Marianne Moore is considered the leading woman poet. **2.** Dorothea Dix awakened America to the plight of the mentally ill. **3.** Amelia Earhart flew the Atlantic alone in 1932. **4.** Louisa May Alcott wrote* Little Women. ***5.** Georgia O'Keefe is a leading abstract painter. **6.** Maria Mitchell discovered a comet and was the first woman elected to the Academy of Arts and Sciences. **7.** Lydia Maria Child was a writer who championed the abolitionist cause. **8.** Margaret Clapp won a Pulitzer Prize and was president of Wellesley College. **9.** Eleanor Roosevelt was chairwoman of*

1908. A lollipop manufacturing machine, capable of manufacturing 40 lollipops per second, is produced by the Racine Confectionaries Machinery Company. The manufacturer claims that the machine makes more lollipops in one week than can be sold in one year.

1908. Jack Johnson becomes the first black world boxing champion.

1908. Teddy Roosevelt sends The Great White Fleet around the world.

July 8, 1908. Nelson Rockefeller born.

August, 1908. Dr. Henry Herbert Goddard, director of the New Jersey Training School for Feeble-Minded Boys and Girls, introduces the first intelligence test.

August 27, 1908. Lyndon Johnson born.

November 3, 1908. William Howard Taft defeats William Jennings Bryan for President by 321 electoral votes to 162.

1909. Frank Lloyd Wright designs the Robie House, Chicago.

1909. Child actress Gladys Smith is transmogrified into Mary Pickford under the tutelage of D.W. Griffiths.

January 1, 1909. Barry Goldwater born.

February 9, 1909. The first anti-narcotic law is passed in response to fears that as many as 15% of the American population are hooked on opium-based medicines.

1910. The Rotary Club is organized.

1910. The first pinball machine is manufactured in Detroit.

1910. Mr. Wilson observatory installs a 100-inch reflecting telescope.

February 8, 1910. The Boy Scouts of America are chartered in Washington, D.C. Be Prepared.

April 21, 1910. Samuel Langhorne Clemens (Mark Twain) dies.

August 13, 1910. Florence Nightingale dies.

November 8, 1910. W.M. Frost of Spokane, Washington, invents the insect electrocutor.

UN Human Rights Commission from 1946-53. ***10.*** *Sojourner Truth was a self-educated orator who worked for black freedom in the 19th Century.* ***11.*** *Shirley Chisholm was the first black woman in Congress and to run for president.* ***12.*** *Jane Addams founded Hull House, the first social settlement in America.* ***13.*** *Clara Barton established the International Red Cross.* ***14.*** *Elizabeth Cady Stanton organized the first Women's Rights Convention in 1848.* ***15.*** *Margaret Chase Smith from Maine became one of the most prominent Republicans in the Senate.* ***16.*** *Clare Booth Luce had careers as Congresswoman, playwright, ambassador.* ***17.*** *Dixie Lee Ray is a member of the Atomic Energy Commission.* ***18.*** *Gertrude Stein was one of the most famous literary figures of the 1920s.* ***19.*** *Pearl Buck won a Nobel Prize for Literature in 1938.* ***20.*** *Margaret Sanger was jailed in 1916 for opening America's first birth control clinic.* ***21.*** *Mary Lyon founded the advanced female seminary at Mt. Holyoke, Massachusetts.* ***22.*** *Mildred "Babe" Didrikson broke 4 Olympic records in 1932 and pitched against the Brooklyn Dodgers.* ***23.*** *Margaret Mead is a leading 20th century anthropologist.* ***24.*** *Frances Perkins was Franklin Roosevelt's Secretary of Labor and the first woman to serve in a cabinet.* ***25.*** *Helen Keller overcame blindness and deafness to become a leading essayist, lecturer and educator.* ***26.*** *Edna St. Vincent Millay was a leading American poet.* ***27.*** *Margaret Fuller was a transcendentalist leader and author.* ***28.*** *Mary Cassatt was the most famous American impressionist painter.* ***29.*** *Phyllis Wheatley was a black poet of the 18th century.* ***30.*** *Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote* Uncle Tom's Cabin. ***31.*** *Susan B. Anthony was the early feminist movement's first and greatest activist.*

May 27, 1911. Hubert Humphrey born.

1912. Charles Pathe produces the first newsreel.

1912. The Girls Scouts and The Campfire Girls are chartered.

1912. Casimir Funck discovers vitamins.

February 16, 1913. 16th amendment to the Constitution authorizes the income tax.

January 9, 1913. Richard Nixon born.

March 4, 1913. Woodrow Wilson inaugurated.

October 1, 1913. A monument to a seagull is dedicated in Salt Lake City, Utah.

December 21, 1913. The first crossword puzzle appears in the New York *World.*

August 15, 1914. Panama Canal opened.

October 28, 1914. Jonas Salk born.

February 2, 1917. Diplomatic relations are severed with Germany.

April 6, 1917. Congress declares war on Germany.

May 29, 1917. John Fitzgerald Kennedy born.

1918. The Yellow Light is introduced to New York City's traffic signals. The first yellow light is run by Hector Rondalla, a Bronx casketmaker, on his way to the World Series.

January 8, 1918. Mississippi is the first state to ratify the prohibition amendment to the Constitution.

November 7, 1918. Billy Graham born.

November 11, 1918. Armistice of World War I signed.

1919. H.L. Mencken publishes *The American Language.*

January 4, 1919. Teddy Roosevelt dies.

September 2, 1919. Communist Party of America organized.

December 11, 1919. A monument to a boll weevil is dedicated in Enterprise, Alabama.

July 26, 1919. Emily Schaeffer of Sea Gate, New York marries Lt. George Burgess of the Army Air Corps in an airplane. The bride and groom are in one plane, the minister in another. The ceremony is broadcast by radio to a grandstand below. It is not recorded whether the bride tosses her bouquet from the cockpit.

January, 1920. Prohibition becomes effective.

August 26, 1920. The Woman Suffrage Amendment to the Constitution becomes Law.

December 10, 1920. Nobel Prize for Peace awarded to Woodrow Wilson.

1922. Sinclair Lewis publishes *Babbitt.*

January 24, 1922. C.K. Nelson patents the *Eskimo Pie.*

July, 1922. The first tube neon advertising sign appears in New York.

August 1, 1922. Alexander Graham Bell dies.

1923. *Time* magazine is published by Henry Luce.

January 7, 1923. The Baltimore *Sun* exposes the reign of terror of the Ku Klux Klan in Morehouse Parish, Louisiana, where despite evidence of torture and murder of marked victims, a grand jury refused to bring an indictment. Estimated Klan membership is as high as 5 million; by 1930 it has declined to 9,000.

August 2, 1923. Warren G. Harding dies mysteriously in San Francisco on his return from Alaska. Embolism is listed as the cause of death. Harding is succeeded by Calvin Coolidge. Keep Cool.

May 4, 1924. Calvin Coolidge signs bill excluding all Japanese immigration and limiting immigration from other countries.

1925. *The New Yorker* begins publication.

1925. F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* is published by Scribner and Sons.

July 10-21, 1925. John Scopes, a Tennessee schoolteacher, is tried and convicted for teaching evolution in public school. Prosecutor is William Jennings Bryan and defense attorney is Clarence Darrow.

1926. Ramon Navarro stars in *Ben Hur;* John Barrymore appears as *Don Juan;* Rudolph Valentino dies.

November 12, 1926. First aerial bombardment on United States soil. During a feud between rival bootleggers, an airplane drops three bombs on the farmhouse of Charles Birger in Williamson County, Illinois. The bombs fail to explode.

1927. *The Jazz Singer* with Al Jolson is the first popular sound film.

Summer, 1927. Babe Ruth hits 60 home runs.

August 2, 1927. Calvin Coolidge tells the press in Rapid City, South Dakota, "I do not choose to run for President in 1928."

August 23, 1927. Nicolo Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti executed.

1928. Walt Disney's Mickey Mouse appears in theatres.

January 1, 1928. An air-conditioned office building opens in San Antonio, Texas.

June 26, 1928. Alfred E. Smith, Democratic governor of New York, becomes the first Catholic presidential nominee.

October 14, 1928. Cora Dennison and James Fowlkes of Kansas City, Missouri are married on television.

1929. William Faulkner publishes *The Sound and the Fury;* Ernest Hemingway publishes *A Farewell to Arms;* Thomas Wolfe publishes *Look Homeward Angel.*

January 13, 1929. The first talking picture in Esperanto is made by Paramount.

September 5, 1929. The first-fly-it yourself airplane service is begun.

October 29, 1929. Stock Market crashes.

1930. Grant Wood paints *American Gothic.*

February 18, 1930. First cow milked in an airplane. Elm Farm Ollie, a Guernsey, goes aloft over St. Louis, Missouri. Her milk is sealed in paper cvntainers and parachuted to reporters.

March 8, 1930. William Howard Taft dies.

May 15, 1930. United Airlines introduces airline stewardesses on a flight between San Francisco and Cheyenne, Wyoming.

May 15, 1930. The first-fly-it yourself airplane service goes out of business.

1931. Rattlesnake meat is canned in Florida.

March 3, 1931. "Star Spangled Banner" designated as national anthem.

October 18, 1931. Thomas Alva Edison dies.

1932. Summer Olympics held at Los Angeles.

1932. Gary Cooper stars in the film version of Ernest Hemingway's *A Farewell to Arms.*

February, 1932. Wooden nickels issued in Tenino, Washington.

November 8, 1932. Franklin Delano Roosevelt becomes president.

1933. *King Kong* stars Faye Wray.

1933. *Newsweek* and *Esquire* magazines publish.

February 6-9, 1933. All United States banks are closed.

March 1, 1933. Roosevelt addresses the nation by radio in the first Fireside Chat.

March 31, 1933. Civilian Conservation Corps begun.

December 5, 1933. Prohibition repealed.

1934. Lillian Hellman's *The Children's Hour* produced on Broadway.

March 5, 1934. Mother-in-Law Day celebrated in Amarillo, Texas.

May 21, 1934. Oskaloosa, Iowa fingerprints all its citizens.

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1942. Aaron Copland composes *Lincoln Portrait.*

May 6, 1942. American forces under General Douglas MacArthur surrender in the Philippines.

June 7, 1942. Americans land on Guadalcanal.

September 9, 1942. A Japanese bomb explodes near Mount Emily, Oregon. No one is injured.

November 8, 1942. American and Allied forces land in North Africa under General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

1943. Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman, Peter Lorre, Sidney Greenstreet, Paul Henreid, Claude Rains and Dooley Wilson star in MGM's *Casablanca.* Humphrey Bogart does not say "Play it again, Sam."

September 8, 1943. Eisenhower announces the unconditional surrender of Italy.

January 18, 1944. Edward Bing Kan is the first Chinese citizen to be naturalized after repeal of the Chinese Exclusion Acts. He is naturalized in Chicago. Quotas are established which allow the immigration of 105 Chinese per year.

June 6, 1944. Allied forces invade German-held France at Normandy.

November 7, 1944. Roosevelt is elected to a fourth term, defeating Thomas Dewey of New York by 25,610,946 to 22,018,177.

March 12, 1945. Franklin D. Roosevelt dies. He is succeeded by Harry S. Truman, a former haberdasher from Kansas City.

May 7-8, 1945. V.E. Day. General Jodl capitulates to Eisenhower near Reims; von Keitel surrenders to Zhukov near Berlin.

July 5, 1945. General MacArthur liberates The Philippines.

August 6, 1945. Americans drop the first atomic bomb used in warfare on Hiroshima, Japan.

1946. *Variety* lists the best of 50 years of movies: best film, *Gone With The Wind;* top stars, Charlie Chaplin and Greta Garbo; best producer, Irving Thalberg; best director, D.W. Griffith.

December 5, 1946. New York is chosen as permanent home for the United Nations.

April 11, 1947. Jackie Robinson is the first black to play baseball in the major leagues.

1948. Bell Telephone Company scientists invent the transistor.

1948. Arthur Miller writes *Death of a Salesman.*

January, 1935. Flea circus opens in New York. Admission is 50¢.

March 4, 1937. German dirigible *Von Hindenberg* explodes at Lakehurst, New Jersey.

March 26, 1937. The Popeye Monument is unveiled in Crystal City, Texas.

May 15, 1937. Clarence Saunders opens the Keedoozle Store in Memphis, Tennessee. The customer inserts a notched rod into a keyhole beside the desired item, the mechanism records the purchase, collects the correct funds, wraps and delivers the package. Keedoozle is a contraction of "Key does it all."

1939. Clark Gable stars as Rhett Butler in *Gone With the Wind.*

1940. Ernest Hemingway publishes *For Whom the Bell Tolls.* Eugene O'Neill writes *Long Day's Journey into Night,* which is not produced until 1956.

August 25, 1940. Ann Hayward and Arno Rudolphi are married while suspended on the parachute ride at the New York World's Fair. The Reverend Homer Tomlinson is also suspended by parachute, along with the best man, the maid of honor, and four musicians.

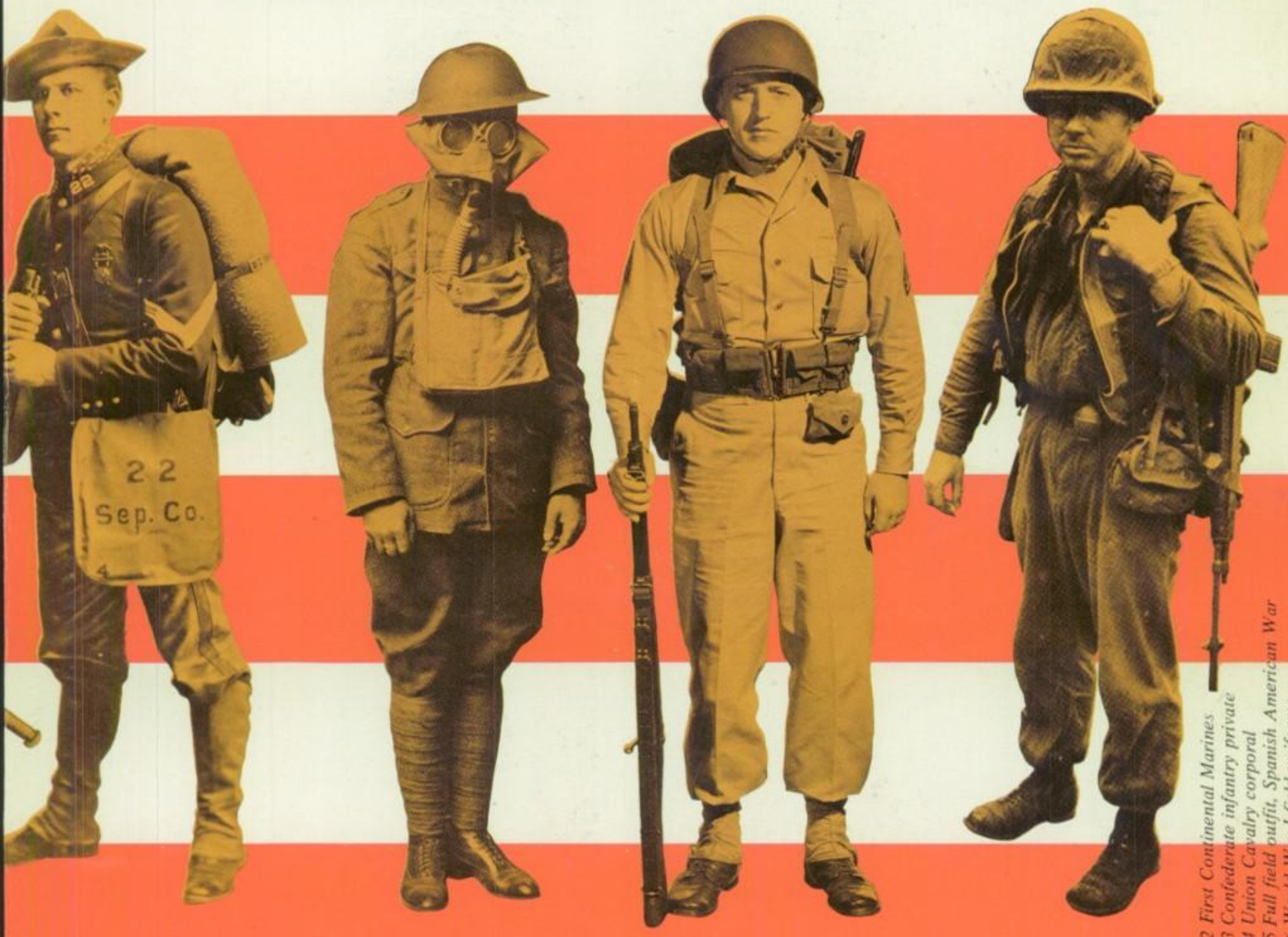
1941. Orson Welles directs, produces and stars in *Citizen Kane.* The Marx Brothers appear in their last movie, *The Big Store.*

1941. The 'Manhattan Project' of research into the atomic bomb begins in Los Angeles and Chicago.

December 7, 1941. Japanese airplanes attack Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and destroy much of the Pacific Fleet.

December 8, 1941. The United States declares war on Japan.

1942. The Alaska Highway opens between Dawson Creek and Fairbanks.



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1, 2 First Continental Marines
3 Confederate infantry private
4 Union Cavalry corporal
5 Full field outfit, Spanish American War
6 World War I field uniforms
7 World War II field uniform
8 Green Beret, Viet Nam

1948. Jackson Pollock exhibits *Composition No.1.*

June 8, 1948. J.E. Rudder is the first black commissioned officer in the United States Marines.

November 2, 1948. Harry S. Truman defeats Thomas Dewey. The Chicago *Tribune* prints a headline reading "Dewey Defeats Truman."

1951. J.D. Salinger publishes *Catcher in the Rye.*

1951. Humphrey Bogart and Katherine Hepburn appear in John Huston's *The African Queen.*

November 4, 1952. Dwight D. Eisenhower defeats Adlai Stevenson for the presidency. Vice-president is Richard Nixon.

1953. *B'wana Devil* is the first 3-dimensional movie.

July 27, 1953. Korean War ends with armistice signing at Panmunjom.

1953-54. Senator Joseph McCarthy of Wisconsin conducts a series of hearings into Communist subversion of government and American life. Eisenhower denounces McCarthy on June 14, 1953. On December 2, 1954, the Senate condemns McCarthy by a vote of 67-22.

1955. Alan Freed, a New York disc jockey, popularizes the term Rock 'n' Roll. He combines two Bill Haley song titles: "Rock Around the Clock" and "Shake, Rattle and Roll." Chuck Berry records "Maybelline." Elvis Presley records "Milk Cow Boogie Blues" for Sun Records in Nashville.

December 1, 1955. Black bus boycotts begin in Montgomery, Alabama.

November 6, 1956. Eisenhower defeats Stevenson.

1957. Jack Kerouac publishes *On the Road.*

1957. Chuck Berry records "Rock and Roll Music"; Elvis Presley records "All Shook Up."

1957. Herb Caen, a columnist for the San Francisco *Chronicle* coins the term "beatnik".

September, 1957. Governor Orval M. Faubus uses the Arkansas National Guard to prevent integration of the Little Rock school system. A Federal District Court subsequently issues an injunction barring him from obstructing black students' entry.

February 2, 1960. Blacks begin sit-ins at segregated lunch counters in Southern states.

May 1, 1960. American U-2 spy plane piloted by Gary Powers is shot down over Russia.

BEST SELLERS

1776	Common Sense	Thomas Paine
1777	Paradise Lost	John Milton
1787	The Task	William Cowper
1788	The Federalist	Alexander Hamilton, et al.
1794	Autobiography	Benjamin Franklin
1800	Life of Washington	Parson Weems
1809	History of New York	Washington Irving
1815	Waverly	Sir Walter Scott
1819	Sketch Book	Washington Irving
1826	Last of the Mohicans	James Fenimore Cooper
1832	Pride and Prejudice	Jane Austin
1837	Twice-Told Tales	Nathaniel Hawthorne
1840	Two Years Before the Mast	Richard H. Dana, Jr.
1841	Essays	Ralph Waldo Emerson
1845	The Raven and Other Poems	Edgar Allen Poe
1850	The Scarlet Letter	Nathaniel Hawthorne
1851	Moby Dick	Herman Melville
1852	Uncle Tom's Cabin	Harriet Beecher Stowe
1855	Leaves of Grass	Walt Whitman
1867	Ragged Dick	Horatio Alger, Jr.
1869	Innocents Abroad	Mark Twain
1870	The Luck of Roaring Camp	Bret Harte
1876	Tom Sawyer	Mark Twain
1880	Ben-Hur	Lew Wallace
1885	Huckleberry Finn	Mark Twain
1890	Black Beauty	Anna Sewell
1895	The Red Badge of Courage	Stephen Crane
1904	The Sea Wolf	Jack London
1912	Riders of the Purple Sage	Zane Grey
1913	Pollyanna	Eleanor Porter
1914	Penrod	Booth Tarkington
1921	The Sheik	Edith Hull
1926	Topper	Thorne Smith
1929	Magnificent Obsession	Lloyd C. Douglas
1931	The Good Earth	Pearl S. Buck
1935	Case of the Counterfeit Eye	Erle Stanley Gardner
1936	How to Win Friends and Influence People	Dale Carnegie
1936	Gone With the Wind	Margaret Mitchell
1939	The Grapes of Wrath	John Steinbeck
1942	The Robe	Lloyd C. Douglas
1943	A Tree Grows in Brooklyn	Betty Smith
1945	The Egg and I	Betty MacDonald
1951	From Here to Eternity	James Jones
1953	The Silver Chalice	Thomas Costain
1955	Marjorie Morningstar	Herman Wouk
1959	Exodus	Leon Uris
1960	Advise and Consent	Allen Drury
1962	Ship of Fools	Katherine Anne Porter
1964	The Spy Who Came in From the Cold	John Le Carre
1965	The Source	James A. Michener
1966	Valley of the Dolls	Jacqueline Susann
1968	Airport	Arthur Hailey
1969	Portnoy's Complaint	Philip Roth
1970	Love Story	Erich Segal
1972	Jonathan Livingston Seagull	Richard Bach

Top Movie Grossers The Godfather 1972 · The Sound of Music 1965 · Gone With the Wind 1939 · The Graduate 1968 · Ben Hur 1959 · The Ten Commandments 1957 · Doctor Zhivago 1965 · Airport 1970 · Mary Poppins 1964 · My Fair Lady 1964

November 8, 1960. John Fitzgerald Kennedy of Massachusetts defeats Richard Nixon for the presidency.

March 1, 1961. John F. Kennedy establishes the Peace Corps.

May 5, 1961. Alan Shepard completes the first American sub-orbital space flight.

March 2, 1962. Wilt Chamberlain of the Philadelphia Warriors scores 100 points in a professional basketball game.

1962. Peter O'Toole and Omar Sharif star in David Lean's *Lawrence of Arabia.*

October 24, 1962. United States blockades Cuba.

November 7, 1962. Eleanor Roosevelt dies.

1963. John Updike publishes *The Centaur.*

May 15, 1963. Gordon Cooper orbits the earth 22 times.

August 28, 1963. 300,000 blacks and civil rights supporters march in Washington, D.C. Martin Luther King tells the throng "I have a dream."

November 22, 1963. John F. Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas, Texas by Lee Harvey Oswald during a parade. Kennedy is succeeded by Lyndon Johnson.

November 24, 1963. Lee Harvey Oswald is shot and killed by Jack Ruby.

April 5, 1964. Douglas MacArthur dies.

August 2, 1964. An American destroyer is attacked off the coast of North Vietnam. U.S. aircraft attack North Vietnamese bases.

1964. Peter Sellers stars in the title role of Stanley Kubrick's *Doctor Strangelove,* a character modeled after Richard Nixon's future Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger.

September 20, 1964. Herbert Hoover dies.

October 15, 1964. Cole Porter dies.

February 21, 1965. Malcolm X is assassinated in New York.

March 21, 1965. 4000 Civil Rights workers march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, to present black grievances.

May 25, 1965. Cassius Clay, later known as Muhammad Ali, knocks out Sonny Liston in the first round of their heavyweight championship bout at Lewiston, Maine.

July 6, 1965. Lyndon Johnson authorizes Medicare.

March 31, 1968. Lyndon Johnson announces "I shall not seek and I shall not accept the nomination of my party for another term of office as President."

April 4, 1968. Martin Luther King is assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee.

June 5, 1968. Robert F. Kennedy, campaigning for president, is assassinated in Los Angeles, California hours after winning the California Democratic Presidential primary.

October 20, 1968. Jacqueline Kennedy, the widow of president John F. Kennedy, marries Greek ship tycoon Aristotle Onassis.

November 5, 1968. Richard Nixon defeats Hubert Humphrey for the presidency.

December 24, 1968. Apollo 8 begins first of ten orbits around the moon.

January 20, 1969. Richard Nixon inaugurated.

March 28, 1969. Dwight Eisenhower dies.

July, 1969. 400,000 rock music fans jam Woodstock, New York for "three days of peace and music."

July 20, 1969. Apollo 11 astronaut Neil Armstrong becomes the first earthman to set foot on the moon. He is joined by fellow astronaut Edwin E. Aldrin, Jr.

May 4, 1970. Four Kent State University students killed by Ohio National Guard during anti-war demonstrations.

June 17, 1972. Seven Republican operatives under E. Howard Hunt and G. Gordon Liddy, burglarize Democratic headquarters in the Watergate Apartments, Washington, D.C.

November 7, 1972. Richard Nixon defeats George McGovern for the presidency. Nixon carries 49 states, McGovern only Massachusetts.

April 30, 1973. Nixon staff members John Ehrlichman and H.R. Haldeman, implicated in the Watergate break-in, resign. Presidential counsel John Dean is fired.

October 10, 1973. Vice President Spiro T. Agnew pleads guilty to income tax evasion and resigns from office. He is succeeded by Gerald Ford, House Republican leader.

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Our year of change

The beginning of this school year brought a kind of anticipation in place of the usual dread. This feeling was prompted by the advent of a new administrative head, accompanied by equally new faces on the faculty, a change in the athletic district from 3-AAA to 4-AAA, and up-dated curriculum additions.

This was only the start of the changes as we were soon to discover. On the first day of school, we learned we were to stay outside the building before school and during lunch. As the weeks progressed, we found ID cards would be a must, permits would be necessary for parking cars in the parking lot, checking out would be a hassle, and midterm and final exams would be back with us.

During the year, several groups—band, boosters, cheerleaders, boys' basketball team—proudly displayed new uniforms. A social studies club was formed and a school newspaper—the *Flaming Arrow* was born.

Quite a change from '75.

Students gather on the front lawn for the presentation of the flag by the Oakdale Business and Professional Women's Club.

A Change

Looking at the *Tomahawk* now, who would imagine that it began as the 1937 *Conversationalist*, a senior class scrapbook project of pasted pictures, typed copy and an old cover?

In 1938, cartoon dividers and an advertisement section were added. In 1939, the book was published so that each student could obtain a copy.

The yearbook's name changed in 1940 to the *Tomahawk*. The 1942 issue was the last yearbook until after World War II. In 1949, the *Tomahawk* made a comeback with individual athletic pictures and junior high coverage. The first color picture was featured in '58.

In 1975, the staff attended a yearbook clinic and learned new layout and copy writing techniques. Because of this evolution, the 1976 *Tomahawk* is dedicated to exhibiting changes in all aspects of OHS in our Bicentennial year.

Helping the referee make a call against a Jennings player is Robin Kirkland. Donald Sumbler and Mark Abrusley await the decision from the referee.

Using a colorful apparatus, Kendall Johnson follows experimental procedures as Jimmy Atkinson reads instructions.

in Style

With vibrant enthusiasm OHS fans boost the Warriors during the game with Jennings.

After two days of carrying a load of books Freshman Carol Leggett receives her locker assignment.

Mid-term graduate Gail Edwards receives a Hall of Fame certificate presented by Mr. Espinosa as Tina Bohannon, Veronica Chamberlain, and Ruth Christian watch.

Miss Merry Christmas Kay Holladay rides on a Christmas float along with her court, which consists of Rose Anne Deumite, Fheryl Johnson, Debbie Abrusley, Linda Dees, Zenobia West, and Fidencia Moncayo.

Leading the spirit of the rally, the Boosters help to pep the football team.

The Spirit of '76, a print of the famous painting by Archibald M. Willard, was awarded to the school by the Oakdale Jaycees' Chip Horvath in honor of Chris Karam for his superior bicentennial essay. Linda Dees and Terri Karam also participated in the contest.

During Homecoming Week, Terri Karam and Carla Leggett dress up '50's style on Push 'Em Back Day.

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Above left: At a pep meeting, Julie Vercher and Rose Anne Deumite prepare Kendall Johnson for a shave—all over.

Above: Working diligently with logarithms, as Bonnie Wilson takes a rest, are Jan Wilkerson and Paula Karam.

Left: Allen Parish Junior Miss contestants Tammy Leggett of Oakdale, Ruby Cooper and Louella Goodley of Oberlin, and Linda Dees of Oakdale wait for their opening number. Linda Dees was selected Miss Congeniality.

Warriors gettin' ready

Homecoming is that big day when alumni return to their school to watch the home team compete. But before the game, the team, the student body, and the local fans must be in the proper spirit. Therefore, we put aside a week for "gettin' ready." This year's preparations differed from those in years past.

A customary part of past Homecoming festivities was the bonfire competition between grades to see whose stack was the tallest and longest burning. This year the classes united their efforts and formed a single heap of wood.

There were the conventional "special" days—"Push 'Em Back," "Sock it to 'Em," "Clash," "Purple and Gold," and "Indian" Days. On these days, everyone dressed in garb appropriate to the said day.

In addition to the usual flurry of activities, the judging of homeroom door signs (depicting methods by which the opponent would be slaughtered), and a surprise noon-hour pep rally were held.

With the customary merrymaking of Homecoming came some unusual antics that sparked the team and spurred the fans' confidence in a victorious outcome at the "Big Game."

A fireman ignites the bonfire which sparks the on-lookers with confidence of a triumphant game.

The monster devouring the helpless bulldog is the freshmen entry that captured first place in the Homecoming parade.

Surprised with a pep meeting on "Clash Day," the students get the spirit as the rally progresses.

Top: On the night of the bonfire, the cheerleaders, student body, and band meet to voice their support.

Left: Adding more to Homecoming is the judging of homeroom door signs. Mr. Tommy Williams' 10th grade homeroom won 1st place.

Above: As the week unwinds, all eagerly look forward to the day of float preparations when they can skip class legitimately.

Representing the Senior Class is Miss Kay Holladay, escorted by her father Dr. Holladay.

Senior maid, Miss Terrell Moreaux is escorted by her father, Mr. Moreaux.

Miss Mika Christian representing the Junior Class is escorted by her father Mr. Christian.

Junior representative, Miss Bridgette Mason, is escorted by Mr. Ralph Turner.

Miss Kelly Stainback, sophomore maid, is escorted by her father, Mr. Stainback.

Representing the Freshman Class is Miss Pam Sumbler escorted by her father, Mr. Sumbler.

Gridiron Personalities

Varying from the previous Homecoming elections, each class voted for its own delegates. The Freshman and Sophomore classes selected one delegate per class while the Junior and Senior classes each selected two. Pam Sumbler was chosen freshman maid and Kelly Stainback was the sophomore maid. The junior maids were Mika Christian and Bridgette Mason. Kay Holladay and Terrell Moreaux were the representatives of the Senior Class.

The Maid of Honor and Homecoming Queen were Senior Class members elected by the football team. Fheryl Johnson served as Maid of Honor and Mary Jo Gordon was crowned Homecoming Queen 1975. The annual festivities also included pep meetings, a bonfire, a parade, and for entertainment, a pre-game and half-time show presented by the band.

Preparing to take the traditional ride around the track are the Homecoming queen and her court.

Maid of Honor, Miss Fheryl Johnson is escorted by her father Mr. Johnson.

About to be crowned Homecoming Queen is Miss Mary Jo Gordon, escorted by her father Mr. Gordon.

A Flash of Red, White, and Blue

Bicentennial red, white, and blue graced the stage as the Miss Oakdale Pageant, sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's Club, was held on September 20, 1975. Last year's Miss Oakdale, CathyDavis, served as Mistress of Ceremonies for the 15th annual affair.

Recipient of the 1976 title of Miss Oakdale was Tara Hargrove. Marlene Fogleman was first runner-up and received a $100 scholarship for being the highest placed senior. Second runner-up was Terri Karam; third, Kay Holladay; and fourth, Landy Troquille. Fidencia Moncayo was selected Miss Congeniality.

Other contestants were Allison Hulick, Mona Holsomback, Marilyn Jones, Carla Leggett, Evelyn Barnaby, and Rebecca Vickers.

Practicing hard for the pageant are Marlene Fogleman, Mona Holsomback, Allison Hulick, Kay Holladay, Rebecca Vickers, Landy Troquille, and Marilyn Jones.

Flowing gowns ornament the stage as Miss Oakdale contestants pose for photographers.

Gleaming with glory, Miss Tara Hargrove is crowned Miss Oakdale 1976.

The excitement of placing in the Miss Oakdale Pageant is reflected on the faces of Kay Holladay, 3rd runner-up; Marlene Fogleman, 1st runner-up, and Talent Award recipient; Tara Hargrove, Miss Oakdale; Terri Karam, 2nd runner-up; Landy Troquille, 4th runner-up; and Fidy Moncayo, Miss Congeniality.

Above left: Enjoying the tea are contestants Marilyn Jones, Allison Hulick, and Evelyn Barnaby.

Above right: Performing an acrobatic ballet to Brian's Song is Marlene Fogleman, recipient of the Talent Award.

Left: Tipping their hats in practice for the opening number are Marilyn Jones, Carla Leggett, Terri Karam, Marlene Fogleman, Mona Holsomback, and Allison Hulick.

After the parade, cheerleaders, band members and spectators enjoy the fair.

Striding along in step, the Oakdale Golden Warrior Band provides part of the Fair parade entertainment.

Fun and Follies

Strange objects zoom through the air with their passengers gaping at the midgets below. Sound like a scene from a science fiction movie? It's the 1975 Allen Parish Fair and the spaceship is one of the rides set up on opening night.

At the annual pageant, Tara Hargrove was crowned Miss Allen Parish. Marlene Fogleman, a runner-up, received the Talent Award.

On Fair Day, a school holiday, ticket prices were reduced and children flocked to see a parade of mounted cowboys, the regal queen, her court, and the bands.

Hot dogs, cotton candy, and cold drinks were devoured as fair goers toured the exhibition halls of prize-winning homemade goods, 4-H projects and livestock.

At the rodeo sponsored by the Louisiana Rodeo Masters' Association, clowns loitered safely behind a fence cracking jokes at the cowpokes who competed in bull riding, calf-roping, and barrel racing. Is it little wonder why the fair draws such a crowd?

Performing the acrobatic routine to Brian's Song is Marlene Fogleman which earned for her the Talent Award.

The Bicentennial Celebration is the theme fo Tara Hargrove's talent in the annual Miss Allen Parish Pageant.

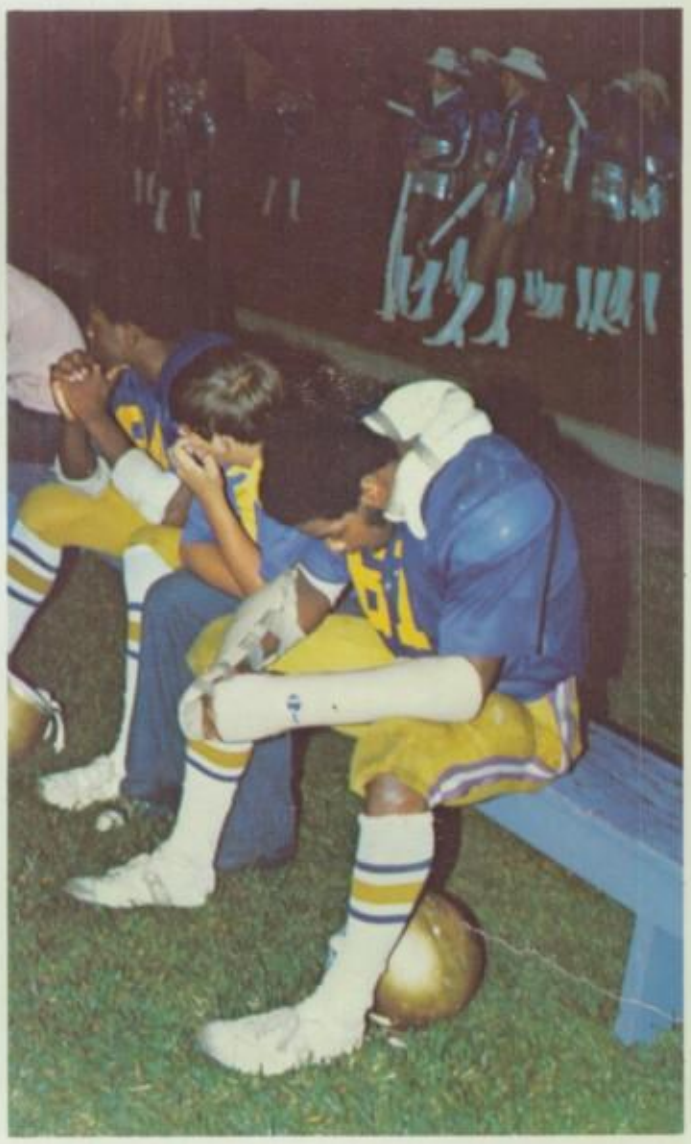
Patiently waiting their turn on one of the rides, Fair fans laugh and joke among themselves.

A Do or Die Effort

The cheerleaders lead the student body in a cheer as the flag corps waits to perform their twirling routine.

During the ride back from Rayne, Landy Troquille listens intently Mona Holsomback tells the others about the game.

Middle: Raising their hands are Michael Rogers and the referees as Michael shows proof of his touchdown. *Above:* A Rayne defender puts pressure on as James Semien attempts to catch a pass.



All-District, Most Valuable Defensive player, Darrell Johson wearily sits on the bench as the seconds tick by.

A fired-up Warrior team took the opening kick-off to begin a first-half romp over the powerful Rayne Wolves. Having piled up more points against the stunned Wolves than the sum total of all their previous opponents this season, the Warriors went to the dressing room at half-time with an impressive 19-7 lead. However, in the second half the very competent Wolves turned round-about to defeat the Warriors 28-19, killing Oakdale's last hopes for a place in the district.

Top left: Everyone appears to be doing something different as the band prepares to play another rock medley. *Middle left:* Though uniformed in dress, the Boosters' activities are mismatched as they await the next cheer. *Top:* Hugging the pigskin is Randy Schaefer as the Rayne players gang up to tackle him. *Bottom right:* Members of the Warrior team load their gear onto the bus as they begin their journey to Rayne to battle the Wolves.

Leaving the field after the pep meeting, the football team strides with a "winning spirit."

A New Challenge

The Oakdale Warriors entered the season with a rather unusual start. The annual Allen Parish Jamboree was rained out on two successive nights. We moved into a tough 4-AAA district this season. The first game was a non-district tilt with Tioga which ended in a 14-14 tie. Eunice was Oakdale's first district opponent and that game ended with a scoreless tie. The Warriors broke the string of ties and came up with three back-to-back victories against Washington, Leesville, and Westlake. The contest with Westlake was an important one because it kept the Warriors in the district race. In this game our team put on a fantastic performance by marching 70 yards and scoring the winning field goal with less than a minute left in the first half. Our hopes of entering district playoffs were shattered when the Warriors fell to Jennings and Rayne.

Throwing a block for Steve Wilson is Michael Willis as Steve breaks a tackle for a good gain.

Stopping a running back for no gain are defensive end Tony Johnson (60) and cornerback Emmanuel James (41).

Preparing to put the finishing touches on one of Rayne's running backs is Junior Holmes.

Tired and battered Warriors look at the field from the bench.

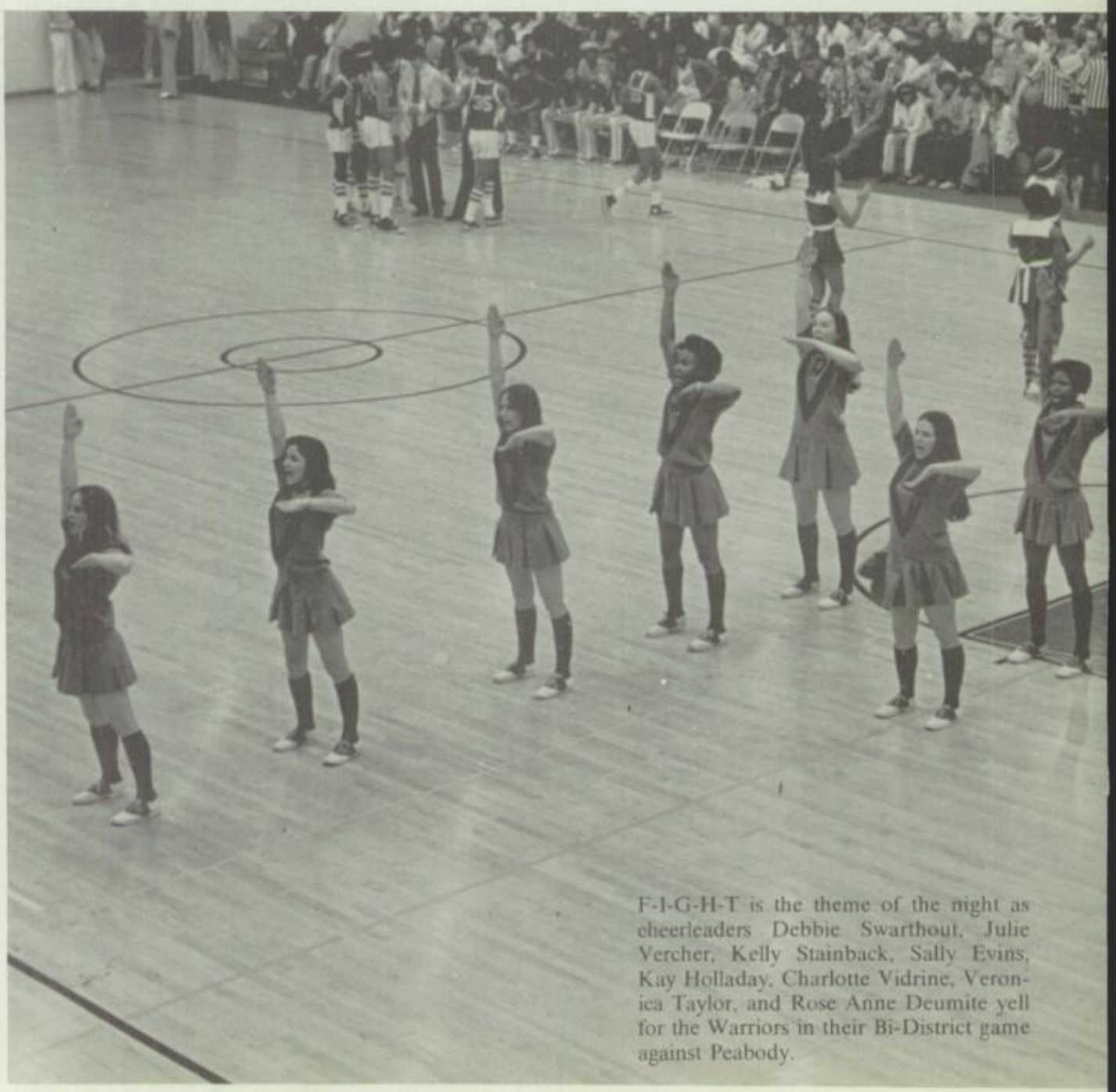
Our students show pride and enthusiasm during one of the pep rallies.

Displaying the form that earned for him first team all-district honor is Michael Rogers.

spiritsters

Rain doesn't dampen the happiness of the cheerleaders when their team is winning.

Quieting the crowd, Charlotte Vidrine prepares to present the Spirit Stick to the winning class during a pep meeting.



F-I-G-H-T is the theme of the night as cheerleaders Debbie Swarthout, Julie Vercher, Kelly Stainback, Sally Evins, Kay Holladay, Charlotte Vidrine, Veronica Taylor, and Rose Anne Deumite yell for the Warriors in their Bi-District game against Peabody.

The OHS cheerleaders and Boosters are like mail persons in that despite inclement weather, they will still be found rooting for the team.

Cheerleading is an art which consists of more than doing a few yells and jumps. The OHS squad headed by Kay Holladay and Julie Vercher, ventured to Northwestern's summer camp. There, their work and cooperation, the keys to cheerleading, earned them five superior ratings and four out of five spirit sticks, one of which is displayed in the school trophy case.

The Boosters, whose drill leader is Susan Donaldson, have undergone a face lift with smart uniforms and the addition of some fresh chants and hand motions to the customary ones.

Besides their daily practice, the girls paint signs and outline pep meetings.

During a pep meeting, cheerleaders promote spirit while doing a pon pon routine.

Ready! Move! is the command as drill leader Susan Donaldson directs the Booster Squad.

While painting the sign, co-heads Julie Vercher and Kay Holladay pause to ask Mr. Espinosa's opinion.

Band takes an about face

The band gives the crowd a full view when it faces the stands to present its performance.

As the school system has turned the corner this year, so has the band department. Mr. "E" shuffled the cards with his promotion to principal. The band marked time only a short while before another director assumed leadership. Unfortunately, Mr. Greg Danigole from Belle Chase, Louisiana had previous committments. Mr. Jack Johnson, an experienced bandsman, then landed his first professional band-directing job and the band stepped off at a different pace.

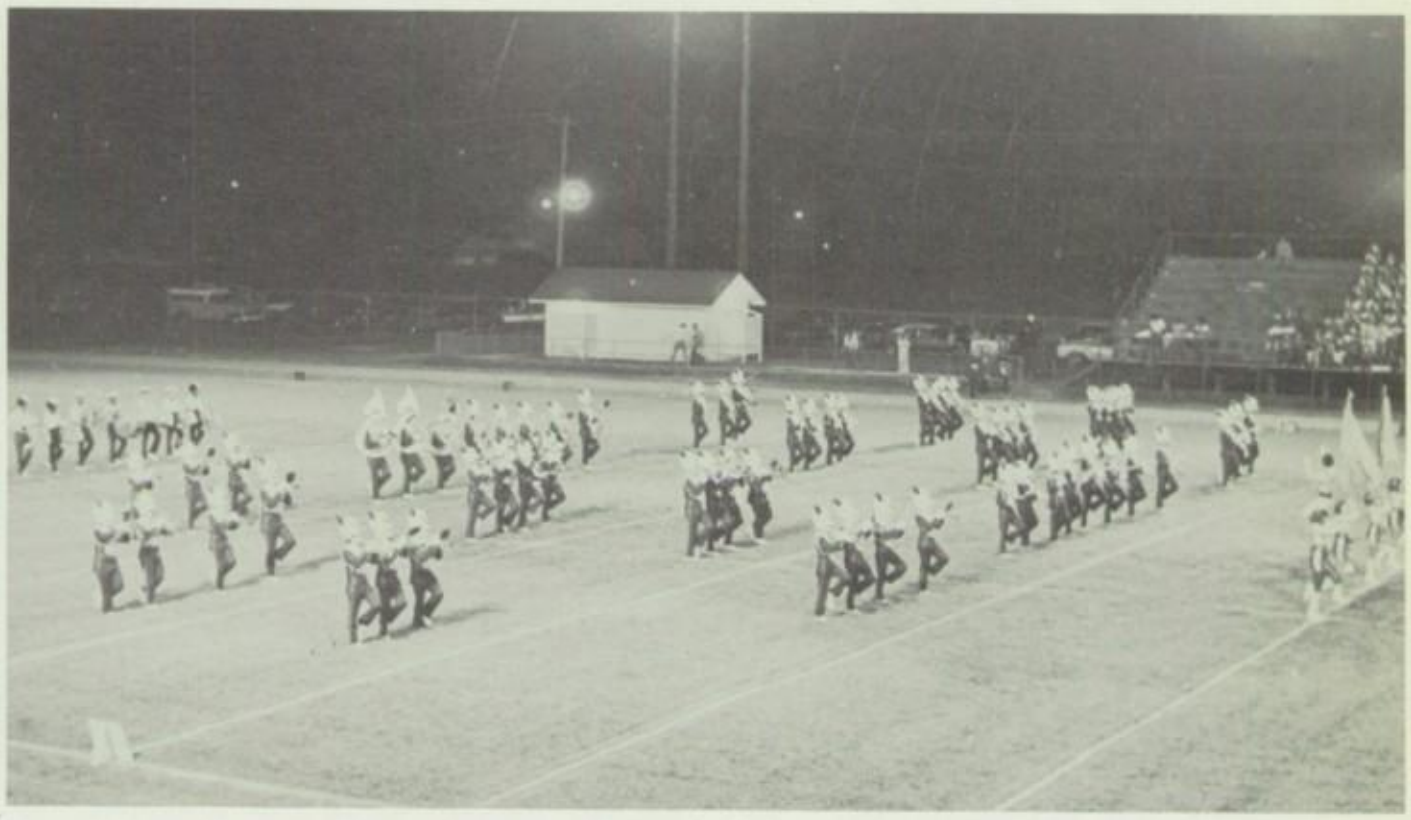
Summer practice began and the band strived, under the guidance of newly-appointed captains, section leaders, and conductor, to perfect the half-time show.

The arrival of new drums, flags, and uniforms boosted the band's self-esteem as they moved into a more competitive district. So, it's out with the old; in with the new, and the band plays on.

Trombonists Francis Butler and Robert Klozick play the "Fight Song" at the surprise pep meeting.

In order to present an enjoyable half-time show, the band must practice music to accompany its step.

With a high instep and a proud look, the band begins its first formation down the center of the field.

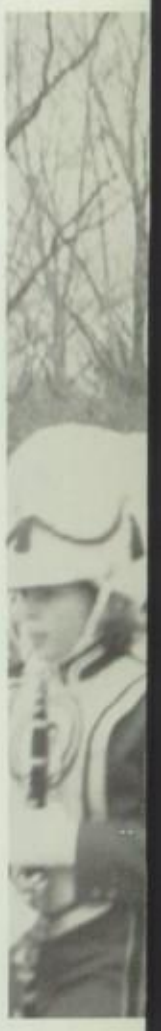


The reigning Band Sweetheart, Miss Tammy Leggett, strides through the green with her father to receive her crown.

Parading in response to all of Oakdale's pleas, the band, under the direction of Jerry Tyler, marches on.

Christmas Spirits

Putting the finishing touches on the school Christmas tree are Faye Wilkerson and Margaret Henry.



Emotions became more intense throughout the student body as the first signs of Christmas appeared around the school. The fact that getting off for ten days meant longer sleeping hours and more time to celebrate the holiday festivities stirred excitement.

The annual Miss Merry Christmas contest was one of the first activities held. This contest resulted with Kay Holladay being selected to reign as Miss Merry Christmas for the 1975-76 school year. The selection was made by the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors on the basis of a skit conveying the activities and achievements of her life. Other members of the court were Debbie Abrusley, Linda Dees, Rose Anne Deumite, Theryl Johnson, Fidencia Moncayo, and Zenobia West. These students were also nominated by the Senior Class.

Additional festivities included the band's performance in the Oakdale and Elizabeth Christmas parades, and a series of humorus plays presented by one of Mrs. Curl's English III classes.

Appearing in the Christmas parade is Santa Claus, who rides on a colorful float sponsored by Calcasieu Paper Company.

Performing at Elizabeth's Christmas Parade is the Oakdale Golden Warrior Band.

Appearing at the Day Care Center is Santa Claus. Actually it is a student from OHS by the name of Jim Thompson.

Ninth grade home economics students prepare a Christmas treat as a holiday project. These students are Rita Maricle, Abigail Boudreaux, Julie Dickey, and Shirley Gordon.

For the upcoming Christmas holidays, Mrs. Curl's fourth hour English class performs a stage play entitled *Commercial Christmas.*

"Shoot, I'll probably finish this experiment first and make an F," and, "heck, I do everything just perfect, and my percent error is always crummy. Mr. Karam, what did I do wrong?" are statements often heard in chemistry class.

"Mrs. Istre, we've never seen these problems before" is an often heard unison chorus of Advanced Math students.

Seriously, though, each year we take a math or science course but never see the necessity of it. The teachers are always telling us that the knowledge gained from these classes will be useful in our future lives. But, who wants to hear this, especially after you are still confused about the same problem you understood last week?

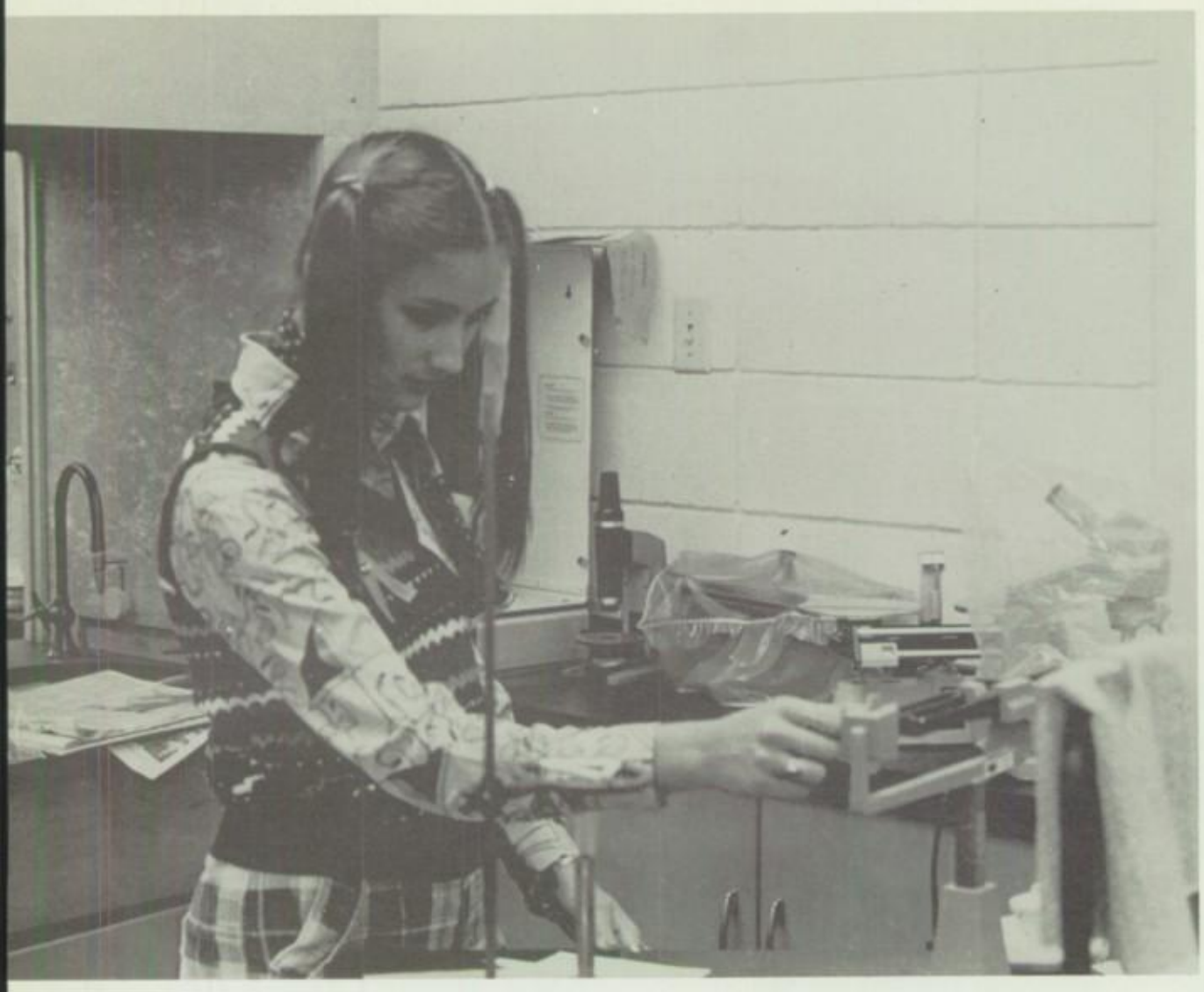
Since there's no stopping, you keep trying to cultivate enthusiasm by convincing yourself that you will become the world's most outstanding scientist or mathematician.

Our math department offers: Consumer Math, General Math, Algebra I and II, and Advanced Math I and II. Science offerings include: General Science, Physical Science, Biology, and Chemistry I and II.

Beginning their studies of the Metric System, Regina House, Robert Klozik, and Darin Strother examine the meter stick.

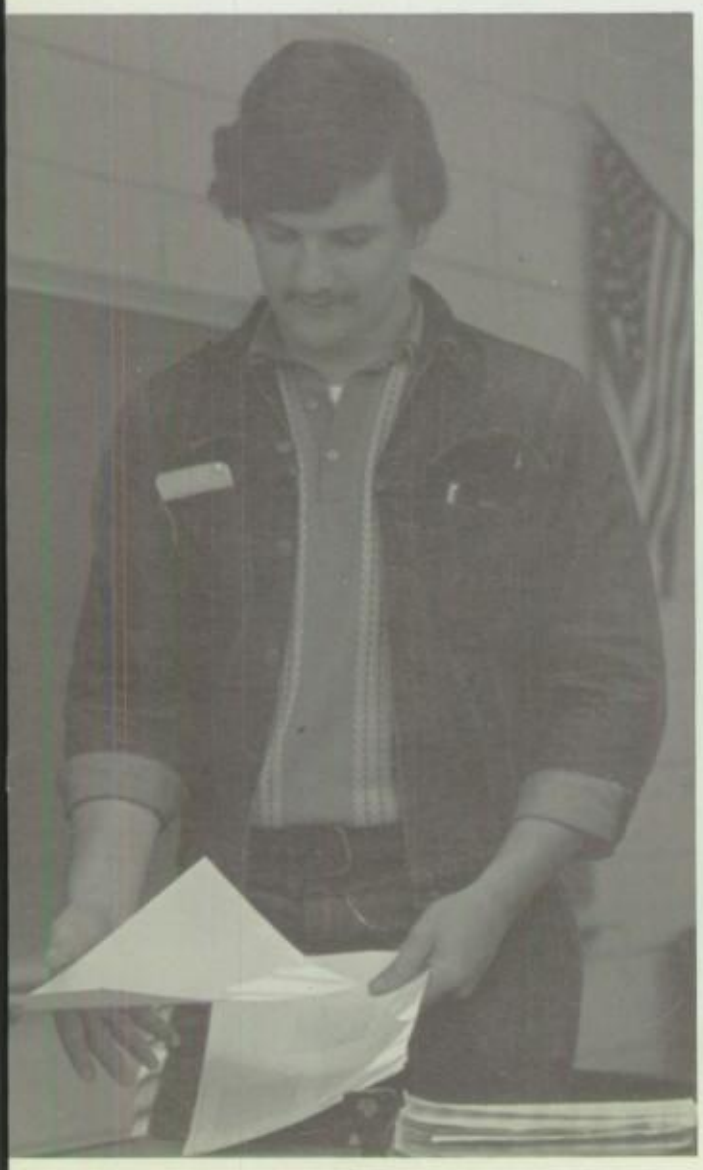
In Advanced Math II, Rose Anne Deumite and Joey Karam make their way through identities.

Calculations with hopeful expectations

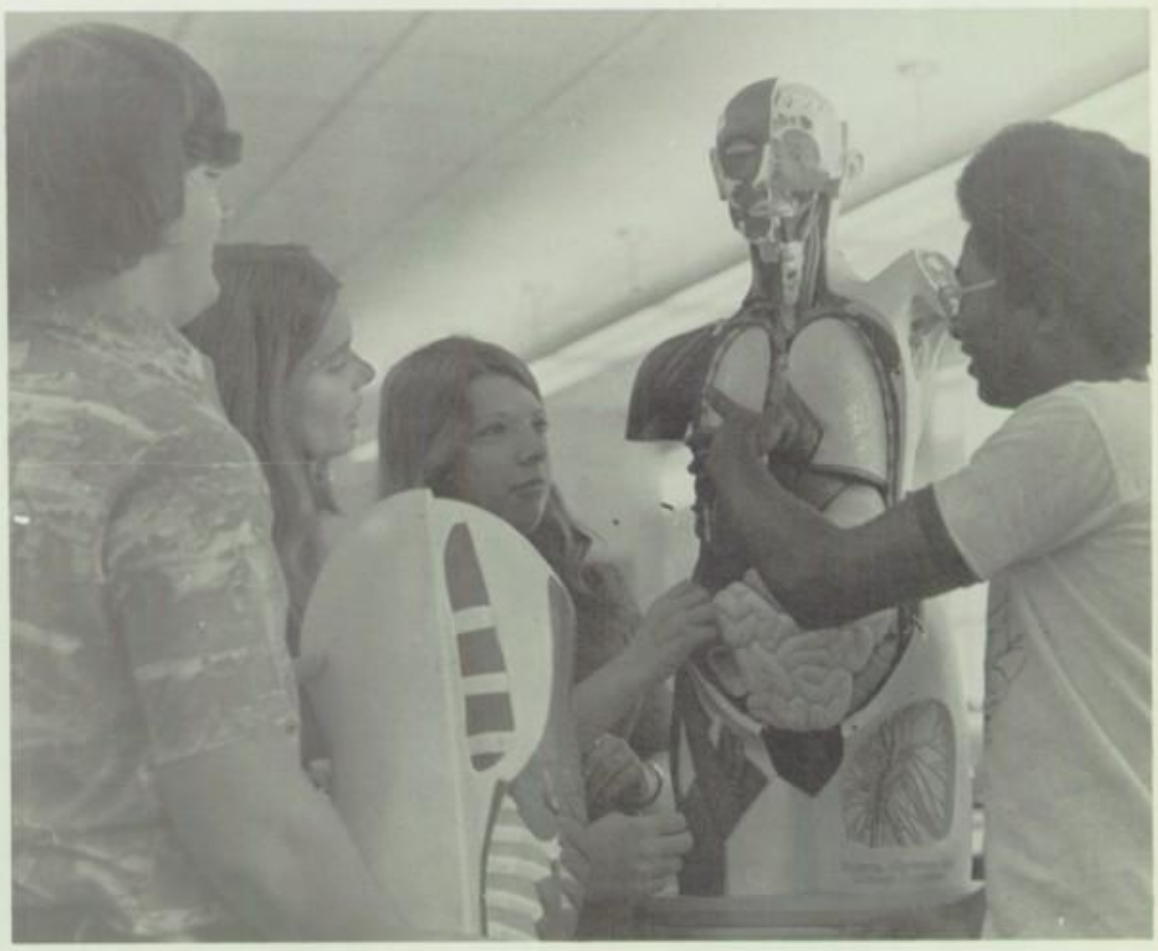


Rose Anne Deumite makes a second measurement during an experiment in chemistry as visions of a 0% error dance through her head.

Accuracy is the key as Terri Karam, Carole Jones, and Wayne Rowland construct angles in geometry class.



Preparing for their next unit in graphing, Algebra I students Sandy Schaefer and Kenneth Sutterfield stamp a supply of graphs.

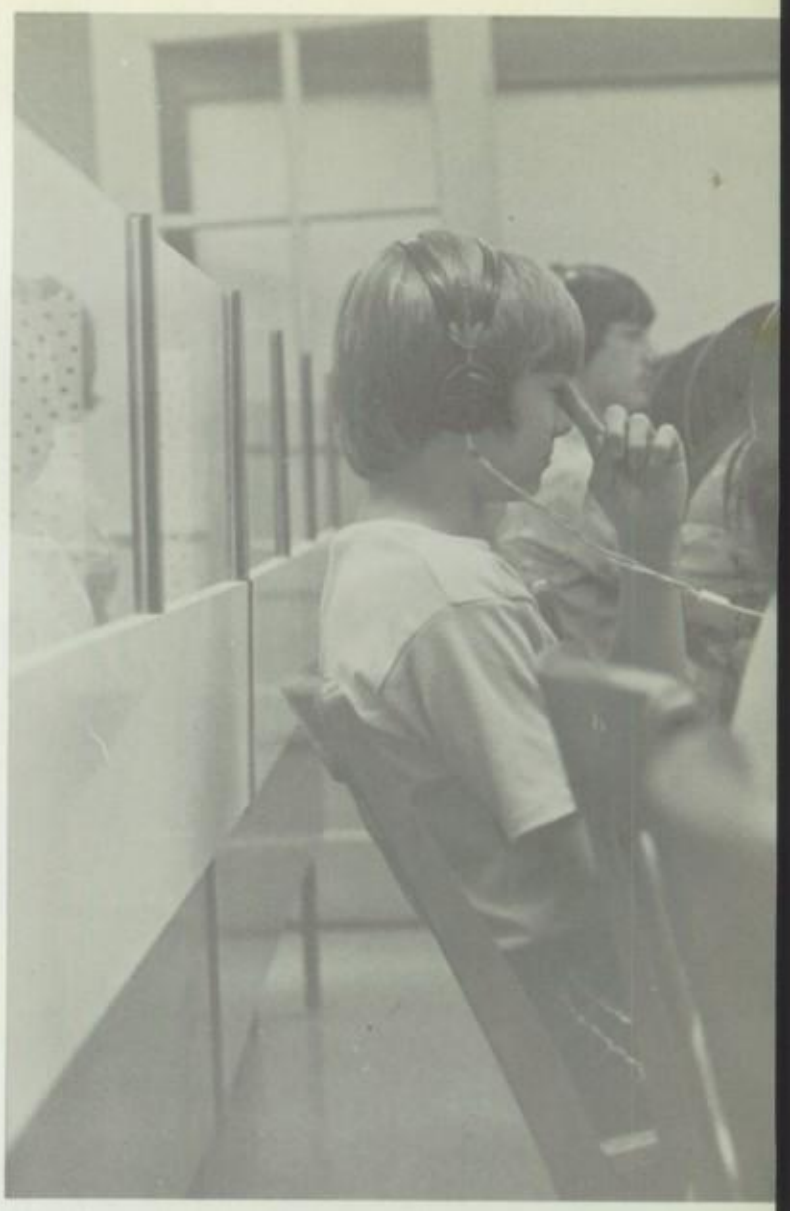


In biology, Jimmy Jeansonne, Mary Craig, Bonnie Wilson, and Roosevelt Wilson learn about the human body as they examine its different parts.

English is ordinarily considered a formal subject. However, many of our teachers are to be commended on the varied ways in which they try to make English classes more interesting. This year, one found skits and speeches extracted from the play *Julius Caesar,* Christmas skits written and produced by groups of students, demonstrations presented by the pupils, and many other deviations from the ordinary.

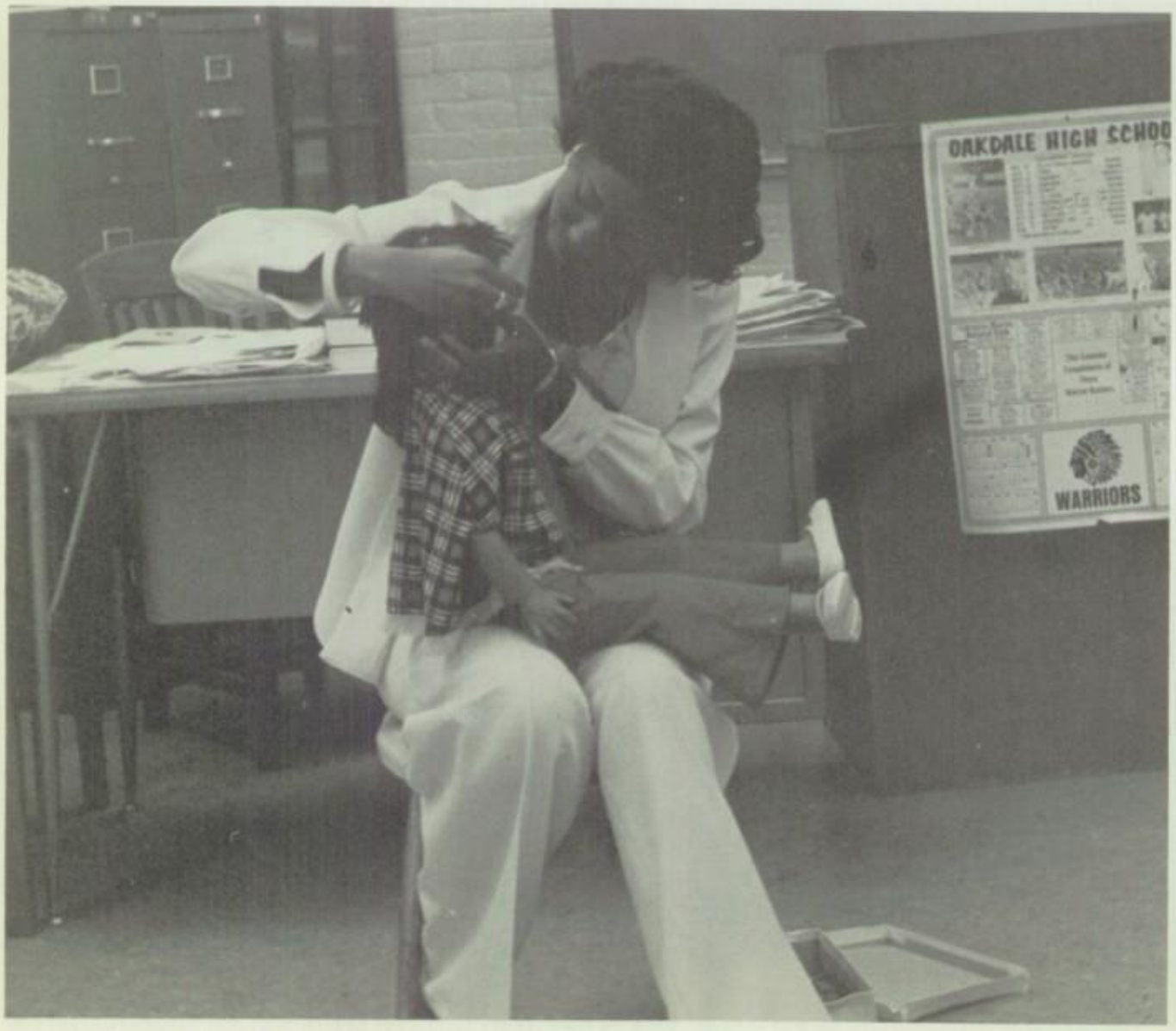
French, also, stimulates a less than strict atmosphere. When the students go into the lab, they find it challenging to interpret the French words they have labored to learn.

The languages are ordinarily considered very formal subjects, but they can be fun, too.



Listening with the earphone, Jeff Monceaux concentrates on the French words dictated by Mrs. Yarbrough.

In Mrs. Curl's composition class, Fheryl Johnson presents her demonstration speech on how to apply make-up.



Students take languages

subject verb direct object

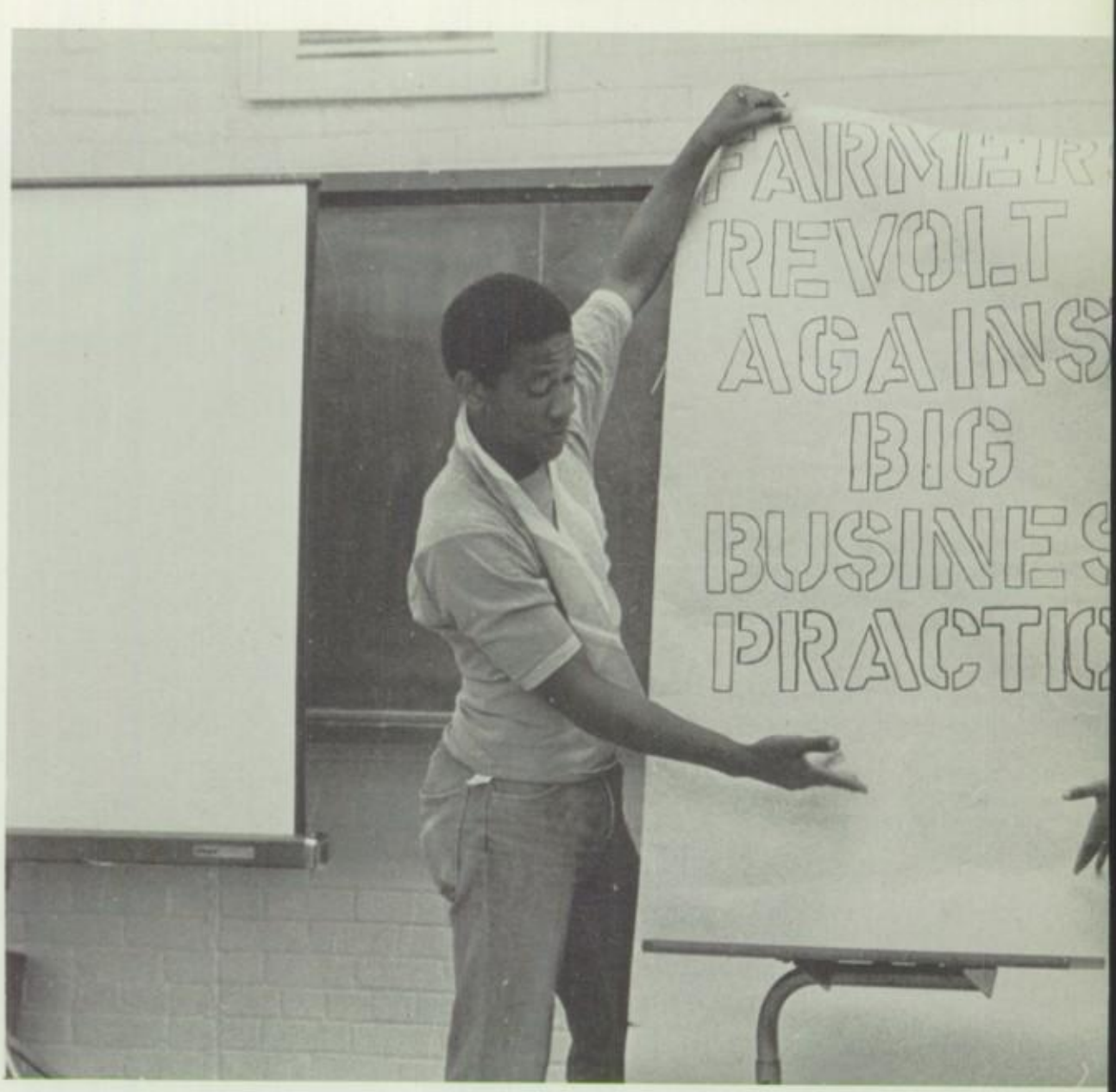
The fact that English classes can be relaxing is illustrated by Mrs. Holley's English 3 class, who underline a wall of literature terms.

Though few find time to use the library, Mr. Tommy Williams' reading class combines its benefits with individual ability.

What in the world?

The Social Studies Department is basically concerned with delivering a better understanding of the world phsyically, historically, and politically. It provides some of the answers to the questions students might have about the different cultures of the earth. In the study of geography, one finds where other countries are located in relation to North America; in the course on American History, the country's social and political development is studied; in civics classes, one discusses political issues in America's past as well as present; in World History classes, a student gains insight into major nations' developments. Sociology students compare and contrast the world in terms of the different countries' societies.

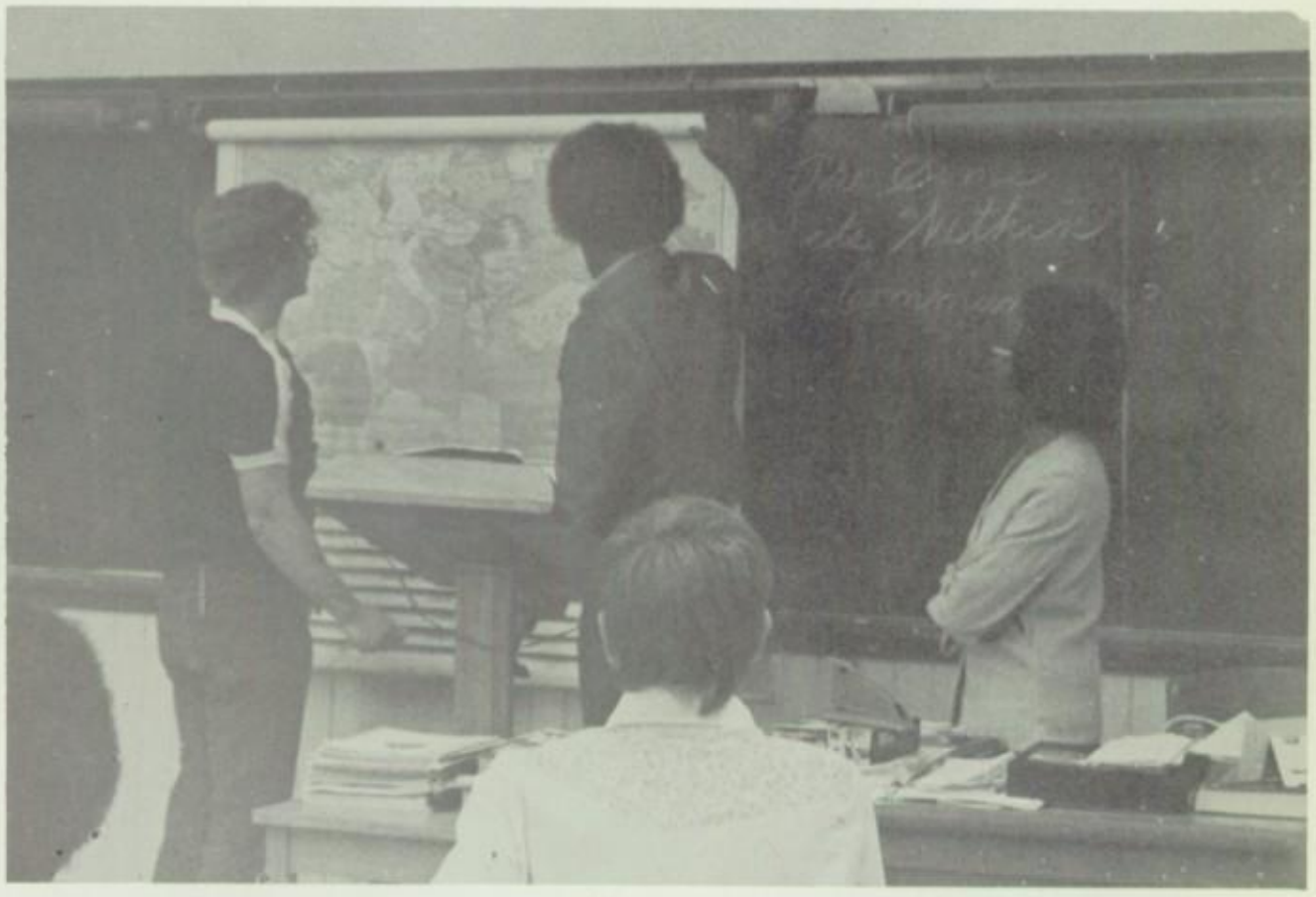
The Social Studies Club sparked a great deal of interest by devising a talent show which solicited the participation of the other clubs. The money raised was used to finance an educational tour of the Natchitoches area. Highlights of the tour included discovering the wonders of Cloutchville's Kate Chopin and Medderville's Marie Therease Coin Coin. These two women made important contributions to the state's development.



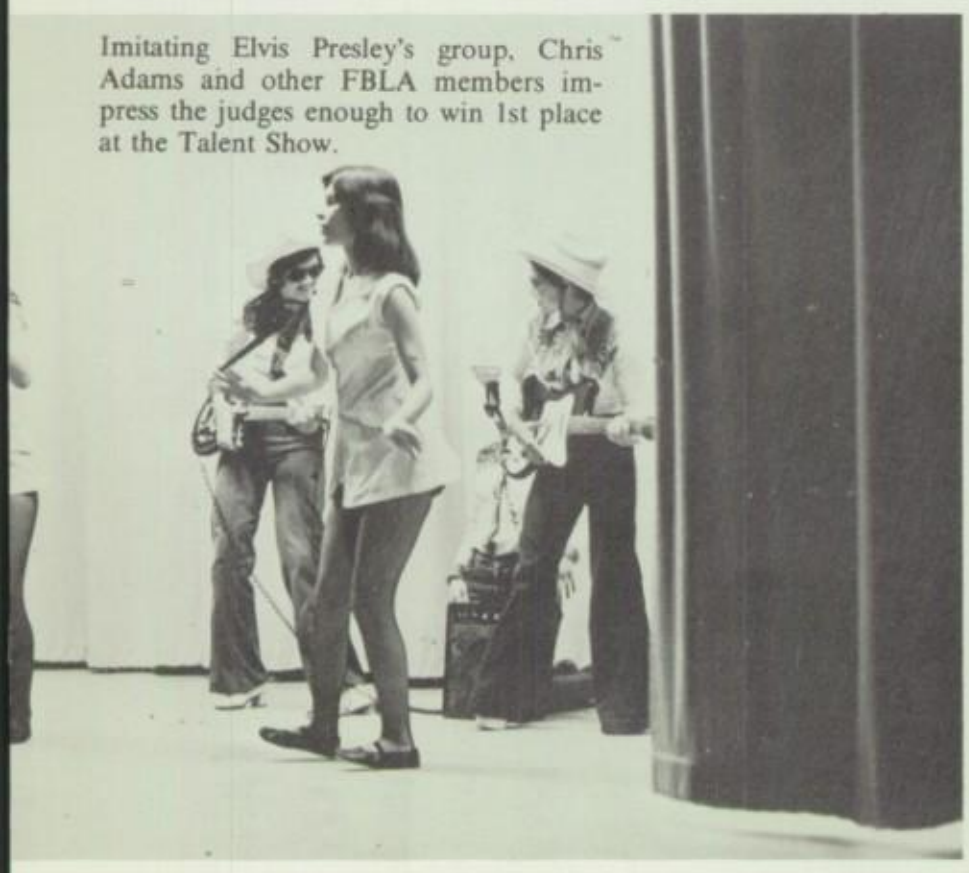
To make the point clearer, Manuella Thornton uses the map to enlighten fellow civic minded students.

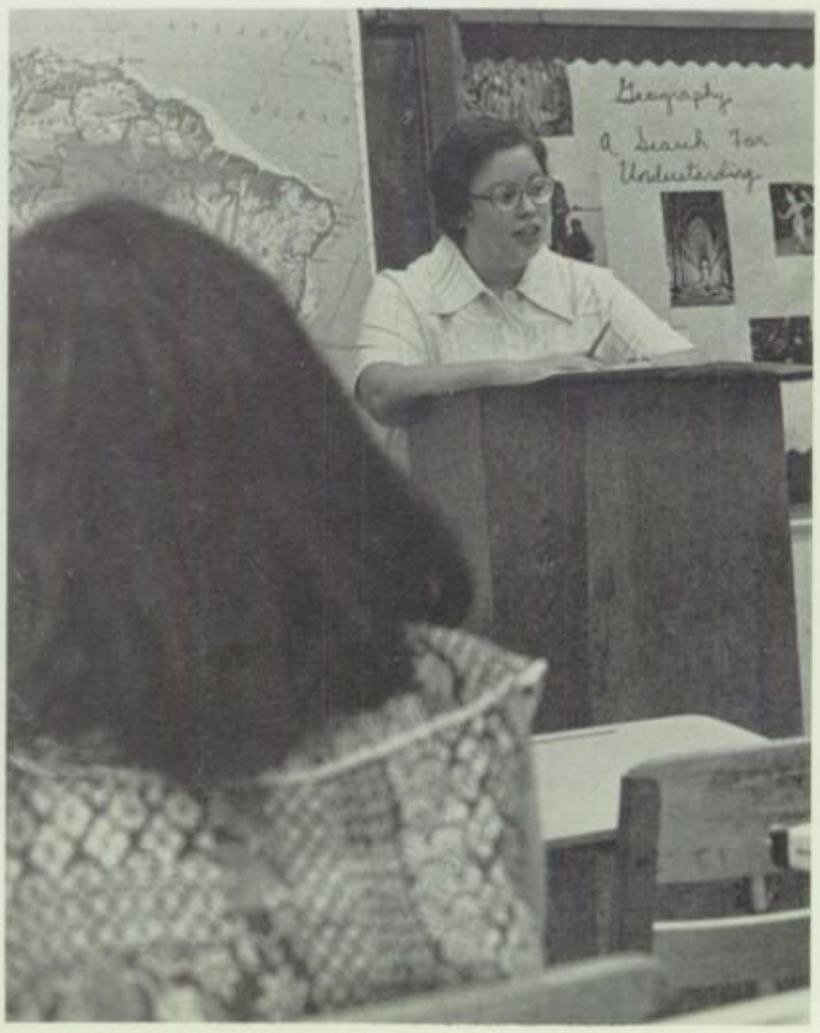
In learning the history of America in Mrs. Jantz's class, Clyde Milton and Delphine Antoine boldly show a past rebel idea.

Many resources are used in teaching social studies. Bryan Strother and Donald Sumbler see for themselves where it all happens.



Imitating Elvis Presley's group, Chris Adams and other FBLA members impress the judges enough to win 1st place at the Talent Show.

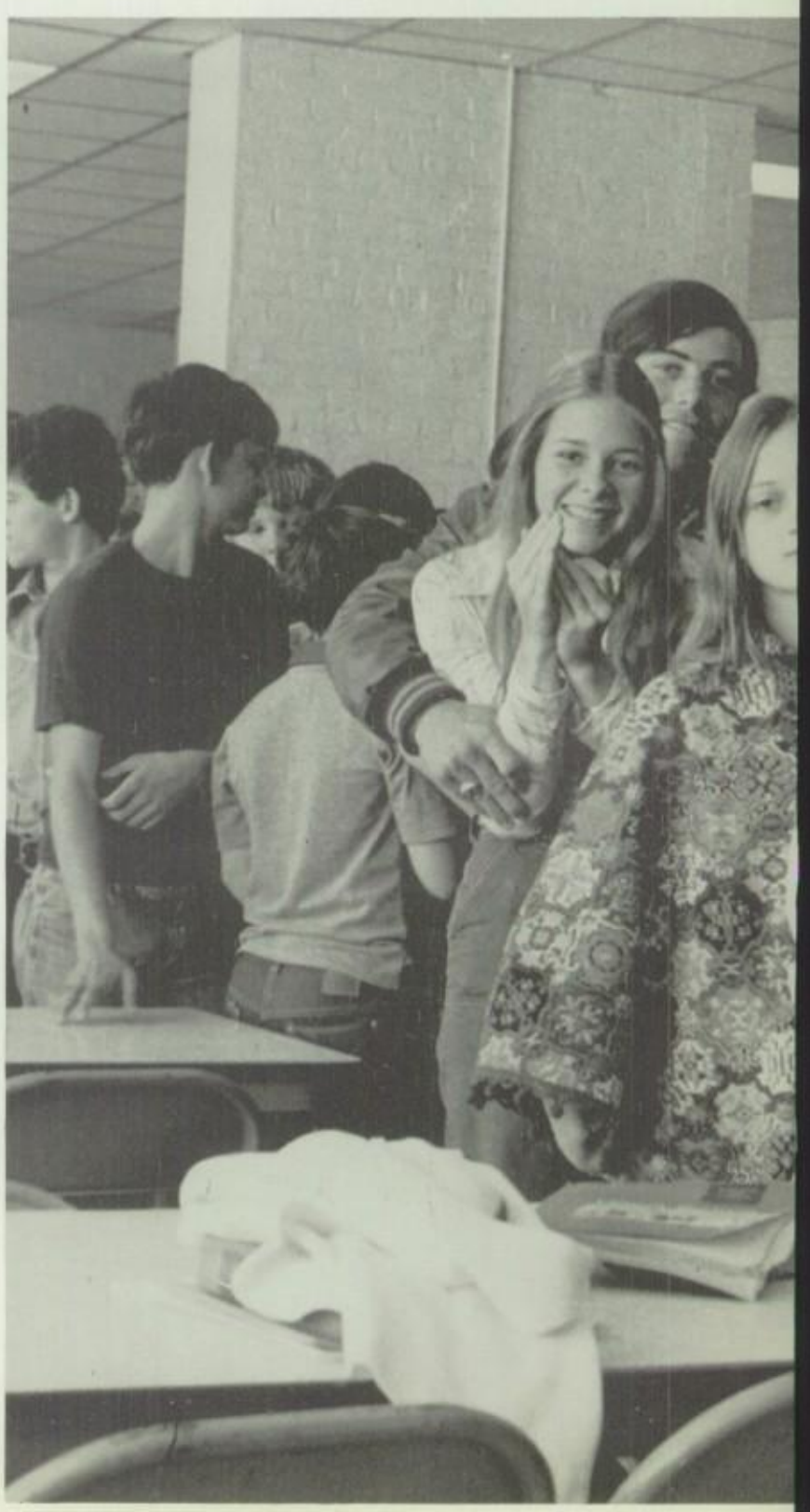




Lecturing to her sociololy class, Miss Higdon helps students to gain an insight of their own personalities.

Enjoying their meal are Susan Donaldson, Jan Duck, Rose Anne Deumite, Linda Dees, and Evelyn Barnaby.

At a sale sponsored by the FBLA, Chris and Terri Karam sell baked goods to Tommy Davis and Denise Soileau.



Students line up for the daily rations.

The Lunch Half-Hour

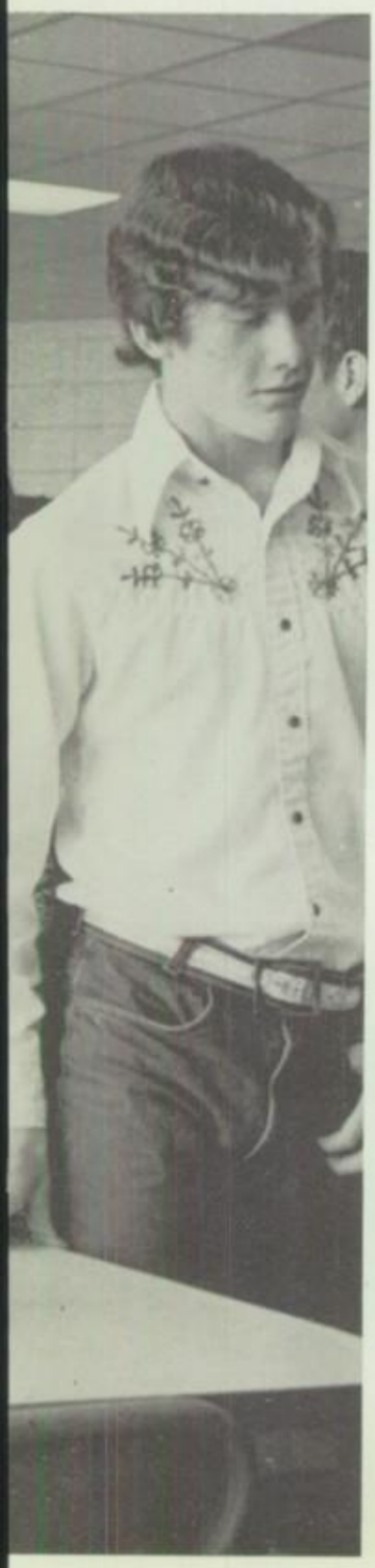
The mad dash for the lunch line is in full swing as the contestants vie to see whom can get to the carrot-and-peanut salad first.

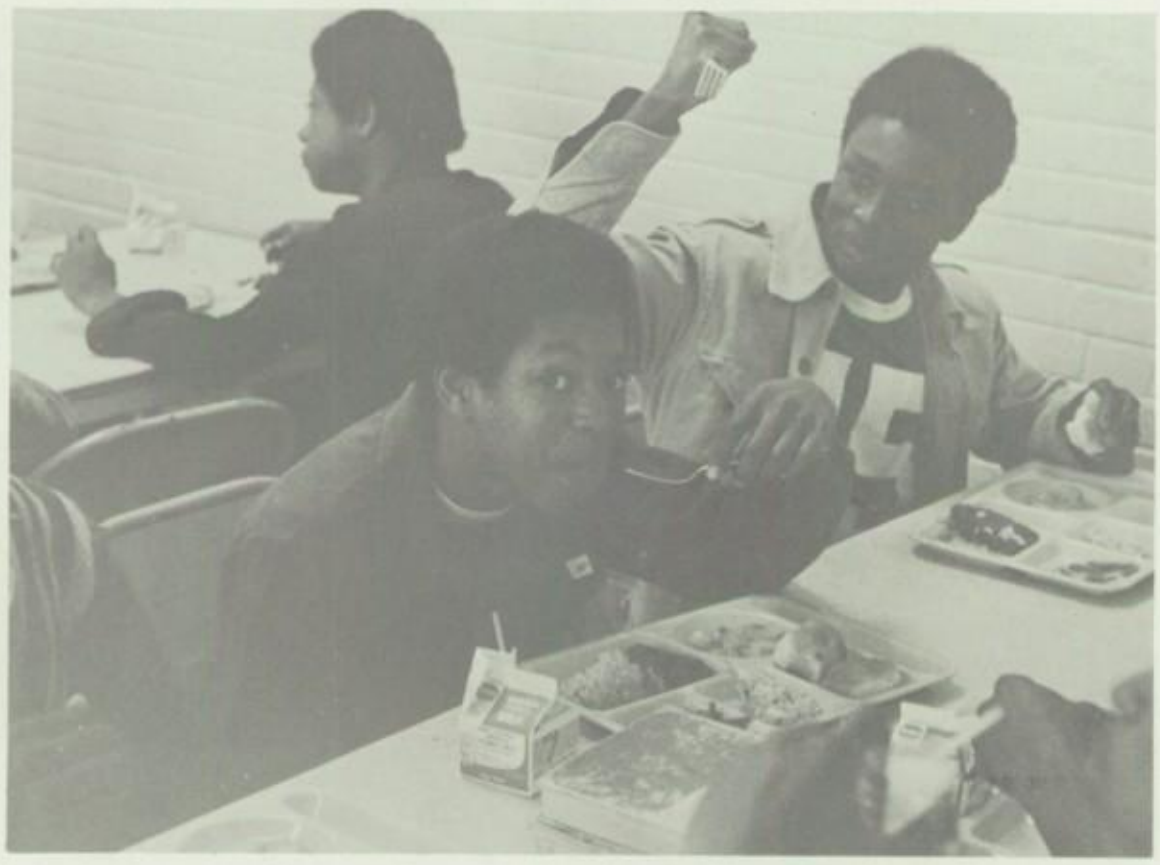
Outside, another race is underway as a stampede of scholars scurry uptown to choke down a burger and rush back to school in time for the tardy bell.

Meanwhile, an onrush of "Junk Food Junkies" surge into the nearest store before speeding on to classrooms.

Though none has competed in the Indy 500, each student is a racing pro when it comes to the "Lunch Half-Hour."

A group of students idly wait for classes to resume.





It seems that Gary McKenzie is hungrier for Leroy Johnson's scalp than the cafeteria food.

Although class is not over, Terry Perkins, Timmy Toups, Bridgette Mason, Carole Jones, and Jennifer Bradley have retired their books and stand anticipating the lunch bell.

Omega Places First

"Well, Omega, are you ready to fininsh your ninth?" This last line of "Omega's Ninth", a one-act play by Ramon Delgado surprised the judges at the McNeese University Speech Rally, and enabled the Alpha Pi Delta Speech Club to capture a superior rating in the play division.

Susan Donaldson captivated the audience in her portrayal of an eccentric old lady, Genvieve DuPais, earning for her a superior rating and a nomination for best actress. The judge at festival said that Tommy Davis (Officer Casonova in the theatrical production) was one of the best "straight men" she had ever seen.

In the interpretative reading division, Cliff Milligan received an excellent for his oration of "The Raven", while Susan Donaldson "did it again". She not only rated superior in her interpretation of "Portrait of Jenny", but she was nominated for best girl orator. Later on in the year, Susan received an excellent for her reading at state rally and she was rated as being one of the top six performers in the state.

The Speech Club, however, did not limit its activities to rallies. This Thespian society travelled to Lake Charles and other cities to view plays, interpretations, and other forms of communicative arts.

As Genevive DuPais (Susan Donaldson) tells of her childhood experiences, Officer Casanova (Tommy Davis) is mazed.

With a startled expression, Randy Deshotel (Nathaniel in "The Devil and Tom Walker") watches his money and financial records which he inherited from Tom Walker (Joel Davis) being burned by the Devil (Jeff Karam).

They may be good, great, or the best, but they all need practice. To achieve the top, Susan Donaldson works with the proper attitude of success.

Adding a special effect to his oral interpretation, Cliff Milligan prepares his face for a mysterious presentation.

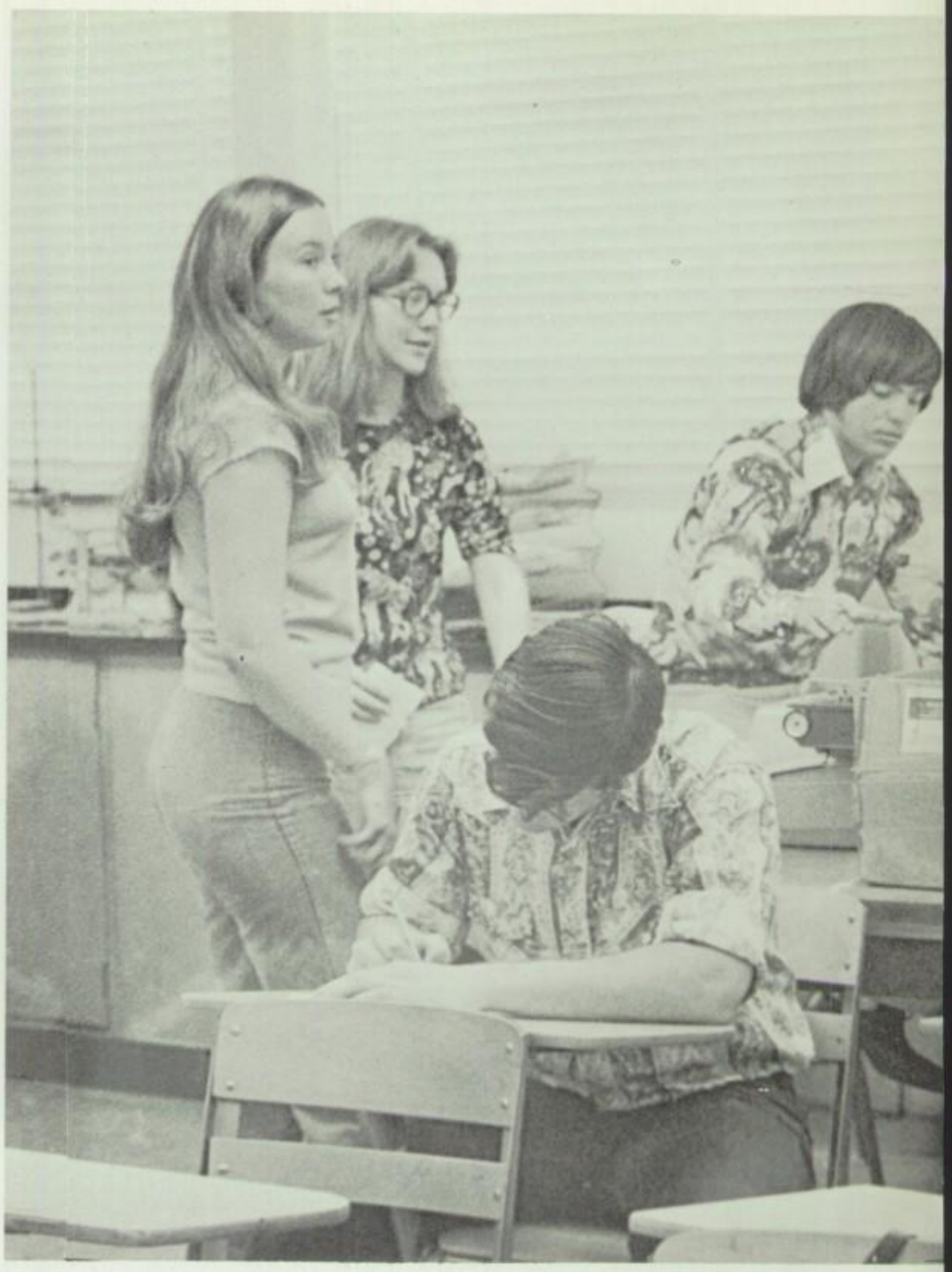
Because of his duty to evict Genevive DuPais (Susan Donaldson) from her apartment, Officer Casanova (Tommy Davis) is confronted by death.

Press On

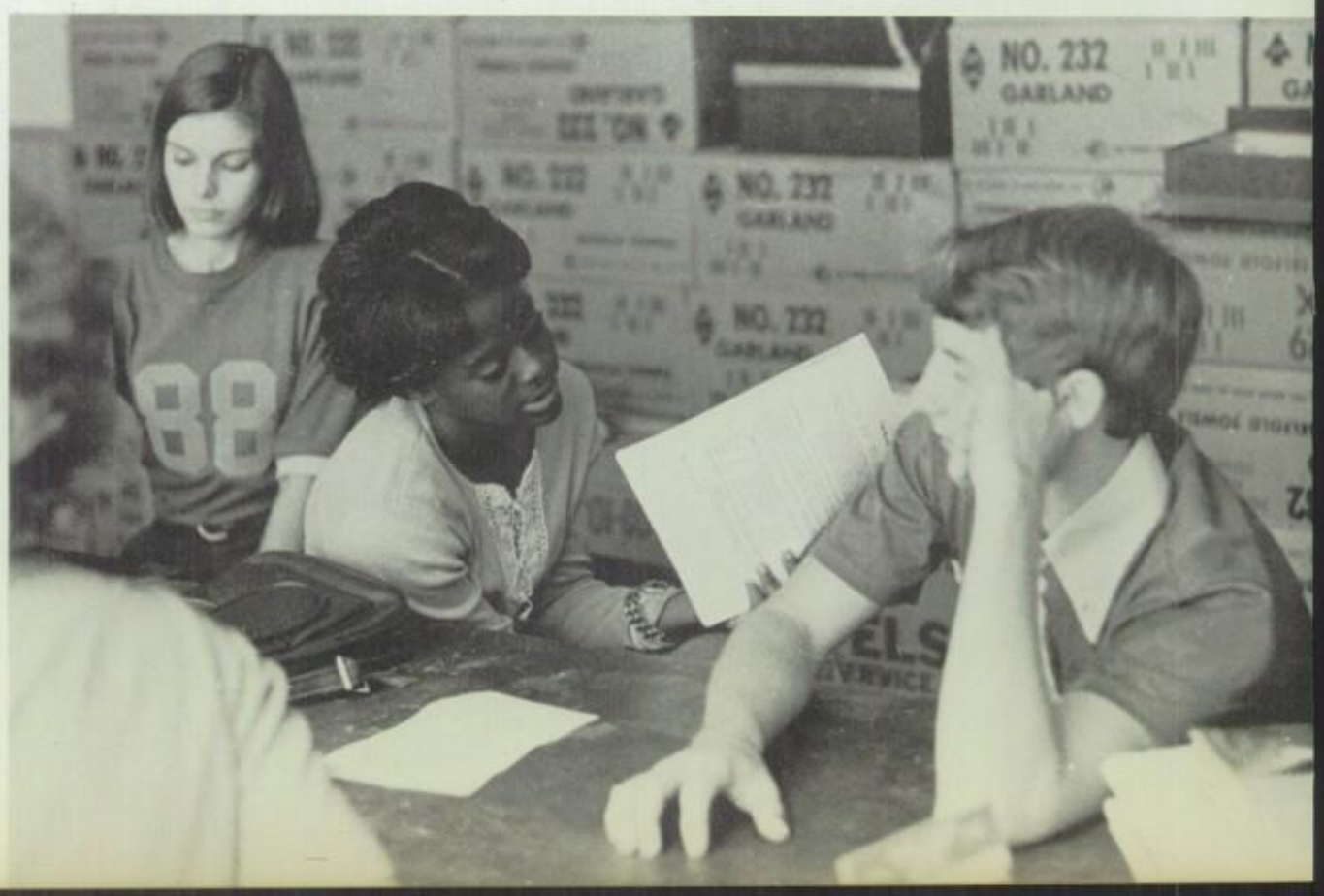
A Face Lift

The major goal of the Tomahawk Staff is the publication of an exciting and comprehensive storehouse of memories for the school year. With this goal in mind, the yearbook staff members are aware that they belong to one of the most responsible and important organizations in Oakdale High School. Accuracy in detail, from the routine to the spectacular, is a must, and staff members are careful to record school events with this criteria in mind. Organization and appearance are two other areas of importance in the compilation of a worthwhile yearbook. This is indeed challenging work for the staff and sponsor. Attending the Gulf Coast Yearbook Conference in Gulfport helped to prepare the students for a busy and productive year and a yearbook they can be proud of.

A new publication in our school this year was the monthly newspaper, *The Flaming Arrow.* Some of the many features of the newspaper were articles honoring student of the month, teacher of the month, a gossip column, and a sports column. Students accepted the newspaper with much enthusiasm as was evident by the air of excitement on the days it was distributed.



Steadily working to complete the 1976 *Tomahawk* are staff members Brad Hall, Kay Holladay, Faye Wilkerson, and Arthur Lee.



Discussing a problem about a spread are Jennifer Bradley and James Yarbrough as Angela McDaniel concentrates on a layout.

A New Face

Students work busily as the deadline approaches for the *Flaming Arrow* to be sent to Alexandria for printing.

Fitting articles on page one are Linda Dees and Marilyn Jones.

Selling newspapers to Jimmy Atkinson and Kim Johnson is Tammy Leggett as Kay Holladay reads the latest edition.

Stretch and Strive!

Making the play at first base is Gordon Webb as L.C. Lambright strides to beat the throw.

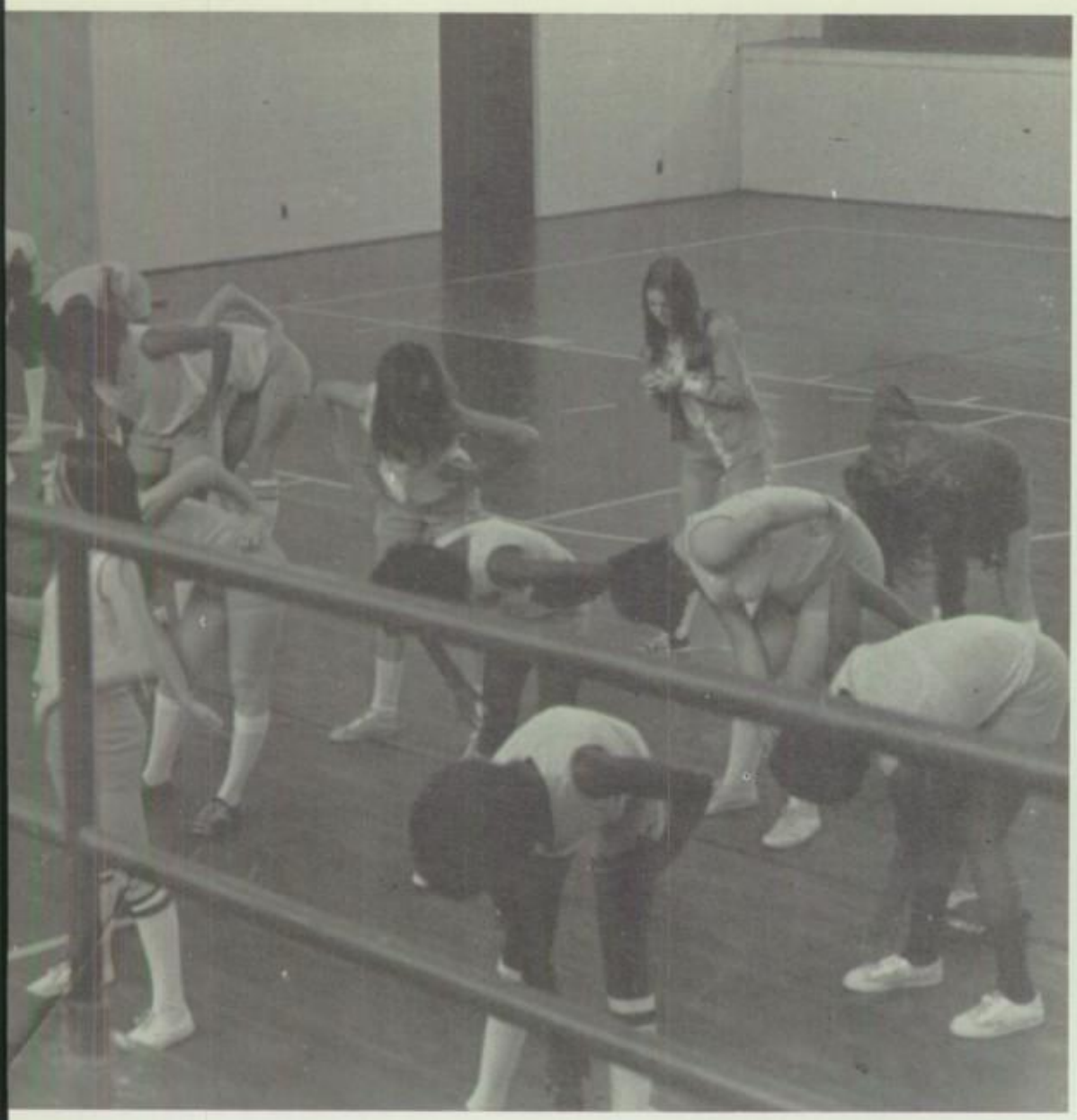
In an effort to prevent students from exercising in inclement weather, the Physical Education Department converted to a co-educational program on a trial basis.

The addition of table tennis, air hockey, and bowling allowed the students to meet each other in contests not restricted to battles between the sexes.

After a two six-weeks period, male and female groups returned to their separate classes for instruction in sports activities such as tennis and archery thus providing a well-rounded course.

Physical education students promoted Physical Education Week (March 5-9, 1976) by demonstrating to the student body floor exercises and skills on the new mini-tramp and trampoline.

The onlookers on the sidelines seem to be giving Mike Voth the extra boost for the home run.



Ready . . . Exercise! The girls' PE class does their "toe-touchers".

Spotting Sally Evins in a back flip during the PE program are Rhonda Winfree and Marlene Fogleman.

Caught in mid-air after completing a front flip, Tommy DeLoach captures the attention of the audience during the PE program.

Warriors earn Bi-District

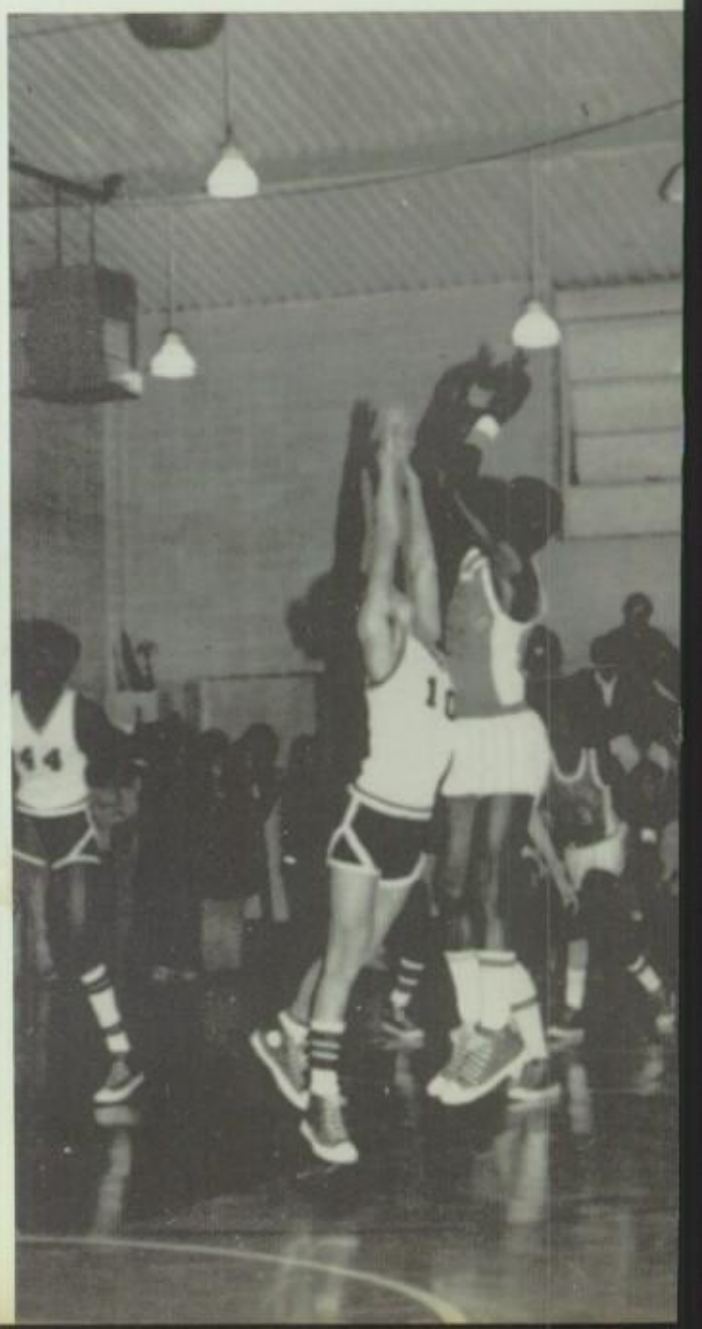
During a game in Westlake, Donald Sumbler brings the ball down the court as a result of a fast break.

Coach Larry Perkins guided his club in an impressive season. Four of the five starters were seniors whose skill and experience made possible the strategic plays so essential to their victorious games.

Moving into a more competitive 4-AAA district, the team was confronted by some fresh faces and a few former rivals. Though they lost to Rayne in a district play-off game, the Warriors elbowed their way into a position against the Peabody Warhorses, the 3-AAA champs. Defeated at this contest in the Louisiana College gym, the Warriors had indeed come a long way. Two seniors, Judge Kennedy and Robin Kirkland were recognized with All-District honors and Coach Perkins earned the title of 4-AAA Coach of the Year.

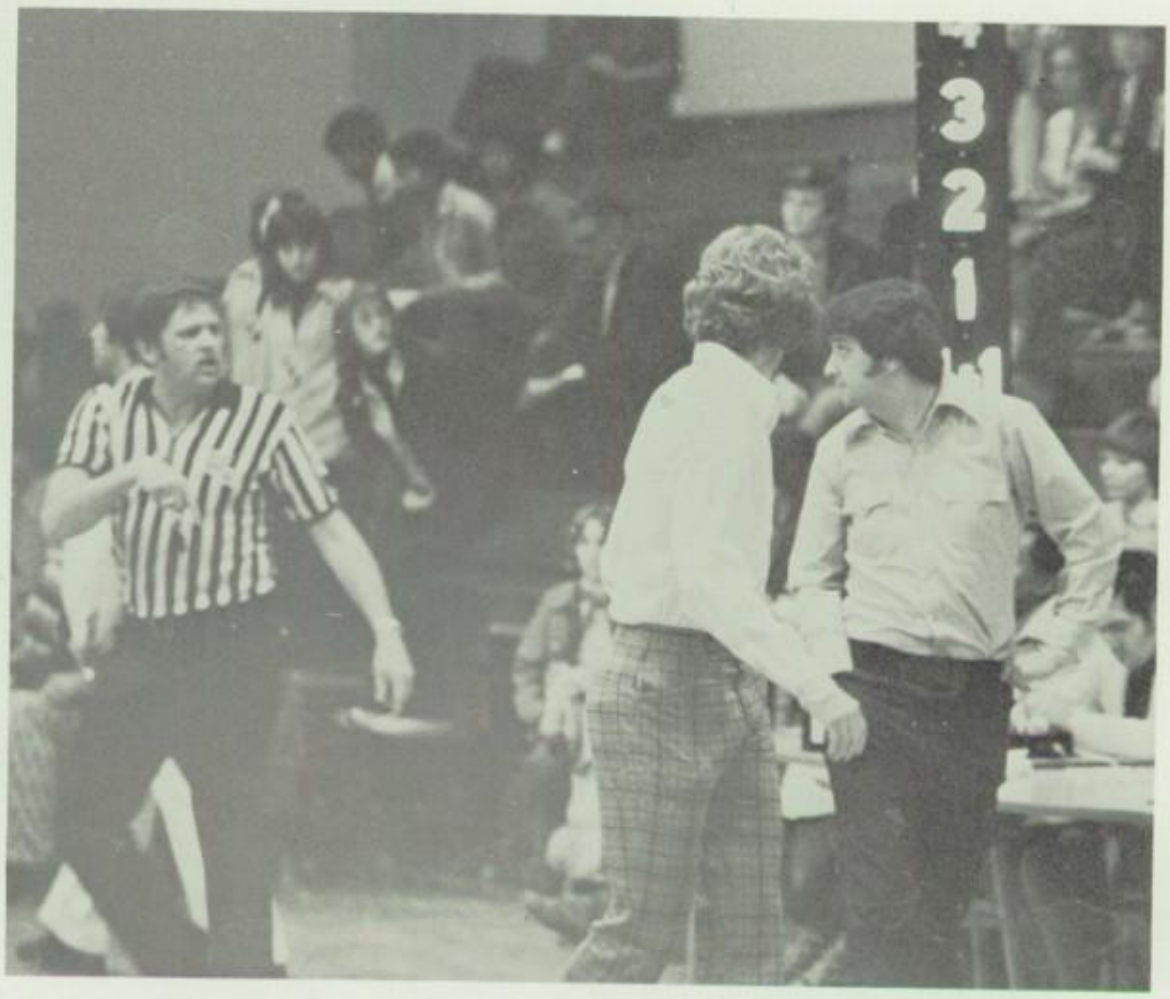
In shooting position is Robin Kirkland as he concentrates on sinking this shot.

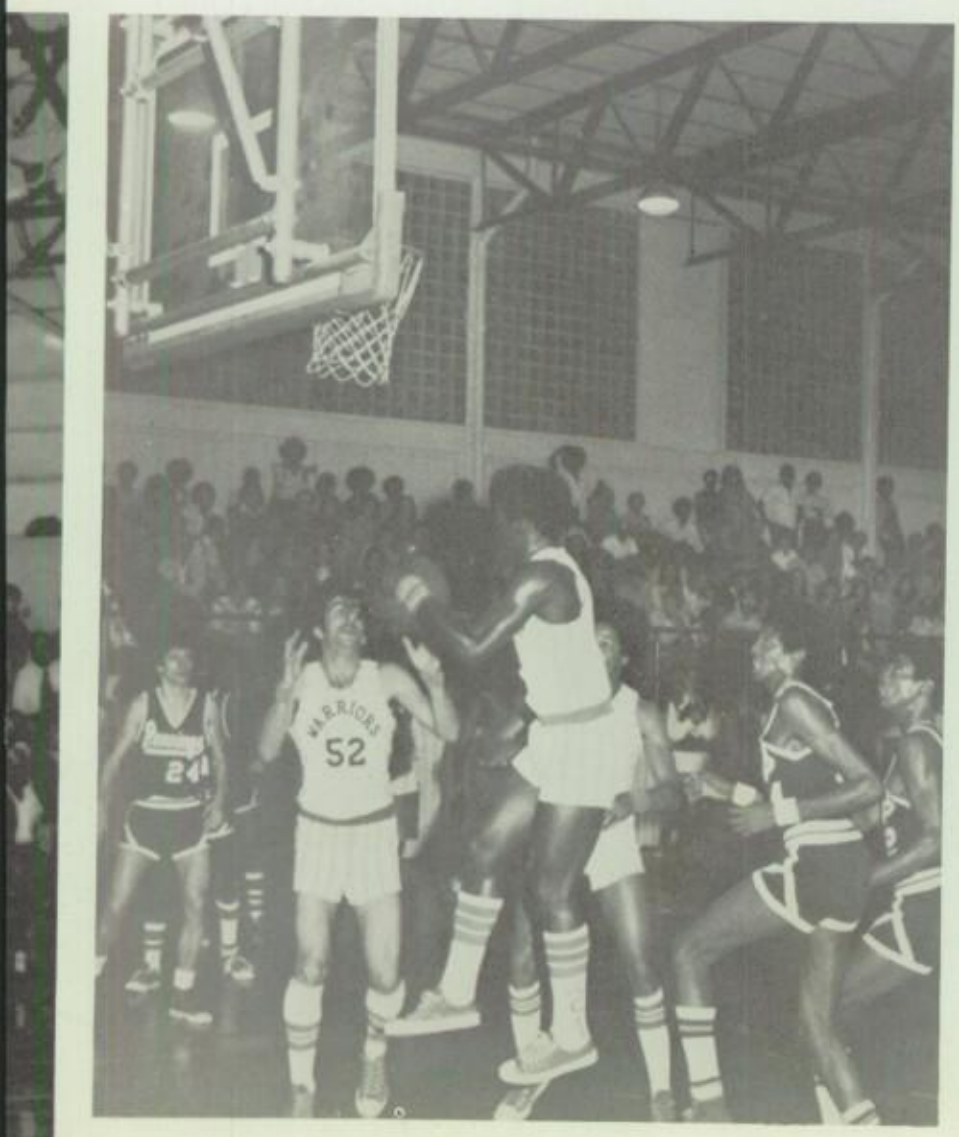
Clearing the floor as the ball sails upwards is Judge Kennedy.



Playoff Berth

Disagreeing with one of the referees calls are Coach Larry Perkins and his assistant Randy Thomas.





Left: Bringing down a rebound for the Warriors is Michael Rogers as Mark Abrusley looks on.

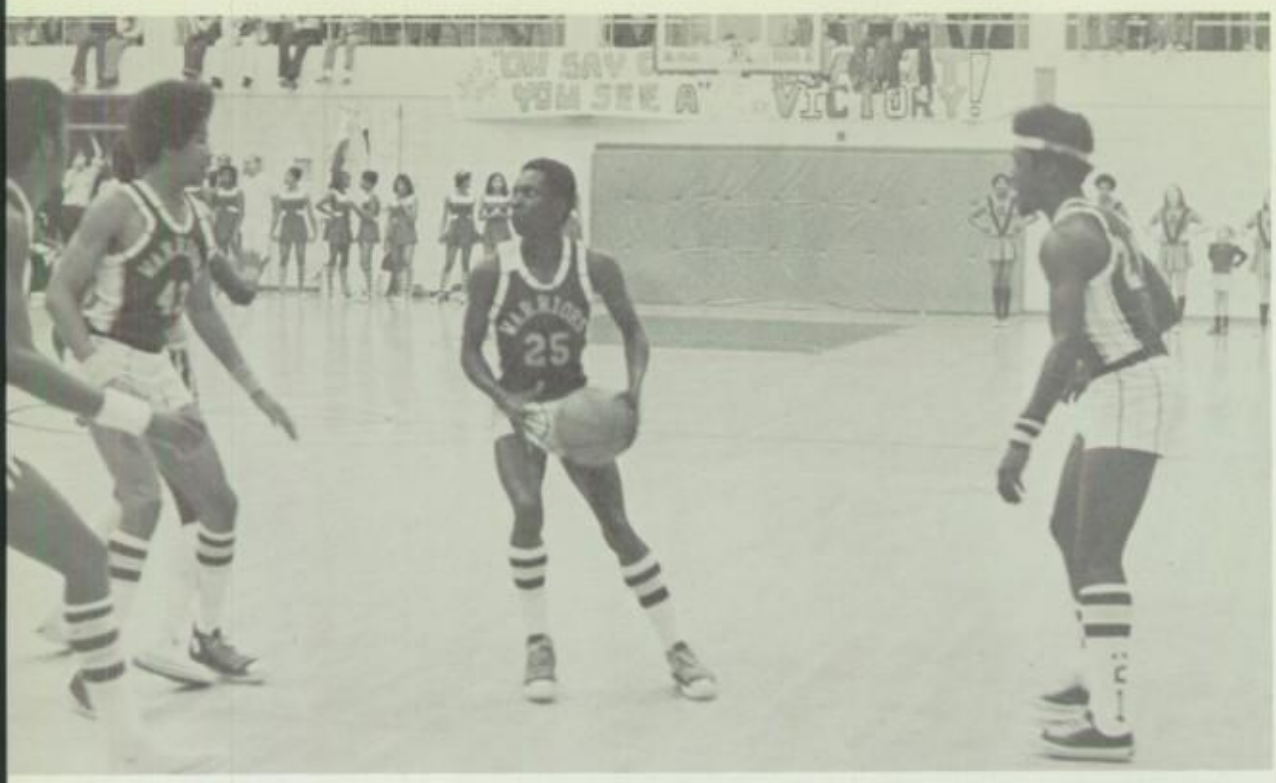
Above: After bringing the rebound, Mark Abrusley furtively searches for a teammate to which he can pass the ball.

Warriors lead the way

Right: As the ball flies from the hands of Judge Kennedy (24) the rest of the team gets ready for the rebound.

Above: Taking down another rebound for the Warriors is Mark Abrusley, a job he did well all season.

Above: The five senior members of the team are Darrell Johnson, Judge Kennedy, Robin Kirkland, Donald Stumbler, Michael Rogers.



Tied for the district championship, the Oakdale Warriors and the Rayne Wolves met in a nose-to-nose match on Westlake's neutral grounds.

The game went into overtime as the ball bounced from team to team continually equalizing the score. The closing minutes clocked by as Rayne stole the jump ball, scored, and, by a narrow margin, obtained the title of district champs, with Oakdale following in a close second.

Left: The camera stops Judge Kennedy in action, as he prepares to put a move on one of Peabody's players.

Above: Showing the form of putting up a free throw is Donald Sumbler.

Left: Towering over Mark Abrusley (51) on the opening tip-off is Frederick Piper (42) of Peabody.

Lady Warriors capture Second Place in District 4-AAA

November 11, 1975, was the beginning of what is considered the best girls' basketball season ever, under the guidance of Coach Claire Storer. The Warriorettes posted a winning season of 17 wins and 11 losses. They participated in several tournaments this year, one in which they captured a third place trophy. In the Eunice tourney two of Oakdale's players, Tammy Leggett and Nita Allen, were awarded All-Tournament trophies.

The Lady Warriors went on to take second in district with a record of 8 wins and 2 losses. This entitled them to a Bi-District match with the Jena Giants. The Warriorettes battled hard, but lost. Nevertheless, the season was successful. Two seniors, Terrell Moreaux and Tammy Leggett were honored by being selected to the First Team All-District in girls basketball 4-AAA. Miss Moreaux was also named as the Most Valuable Player in the district.

1976 has been a great year for the girls basketball team but the Warriorettes have high hopes of even a better season next year, and dreams of their ultimate goal, "Sweet Sixteen."

Above: Walking to the bench is the girl's basketball coach Miss Storer being followed by Veronica Ray

Above right: Preparing to sink a free throw for the Warriorettes is Mary Jo Gordon (14).

Right: The basketball team gets some assistance from the cheerleaders in doing their yell before the game.

Left: Needing help in handling the ball is Gale Sanderson as two opponents move in.

Above: Going up for two is Tammy Leggett during warm ups for a game.

Left: In trouble Terrell Moreaux is blocked by a Jennings Bulldog as Landy Troquille tries to give assistance.

From grow to show

Agriculture is involved with cultivating the interest of future farmers. The things learned in this class include welding, building greenhouses, showing animals, and gardening. From participating in livestock shows to entering rodeos, agriculture offers a variety of interesting subjects. The fact that this course is not held in a "standard classroom" situation makes it even more interesting.

Future Farmers of America strive always to better the agricultural courses. The members attend livestock shows, organization meetings, and compete in activities at local and state levels. They sponsored Aggie Day held May 1, 1976, which was the climax of their school year.

4-H offers a variety of projects in which one may enroll. They include citizenship, safety, handicraft, health, horticulture, and livestock. These activities offer members competition and participation which tests them to their fullest potential.

Top: Exhibiting his Purple Ribbon lamb at the Allen Parish Junior Livestock Show is Dennis Dyer, center.

Above: Displaying the technique of brownie making are Beth Hall and Carrie Guree at Demonstration and Public Speaking Day in Oberlin.

On Achievement Day, Đan Boyd hands in a 4-H test to Mrs. Sandra Karam.

Above: The Ag boys, Tommy Stockman, Jerry Willis, and Cecil Thigpen watch as Mr. Miller repairs an electrical outlet.

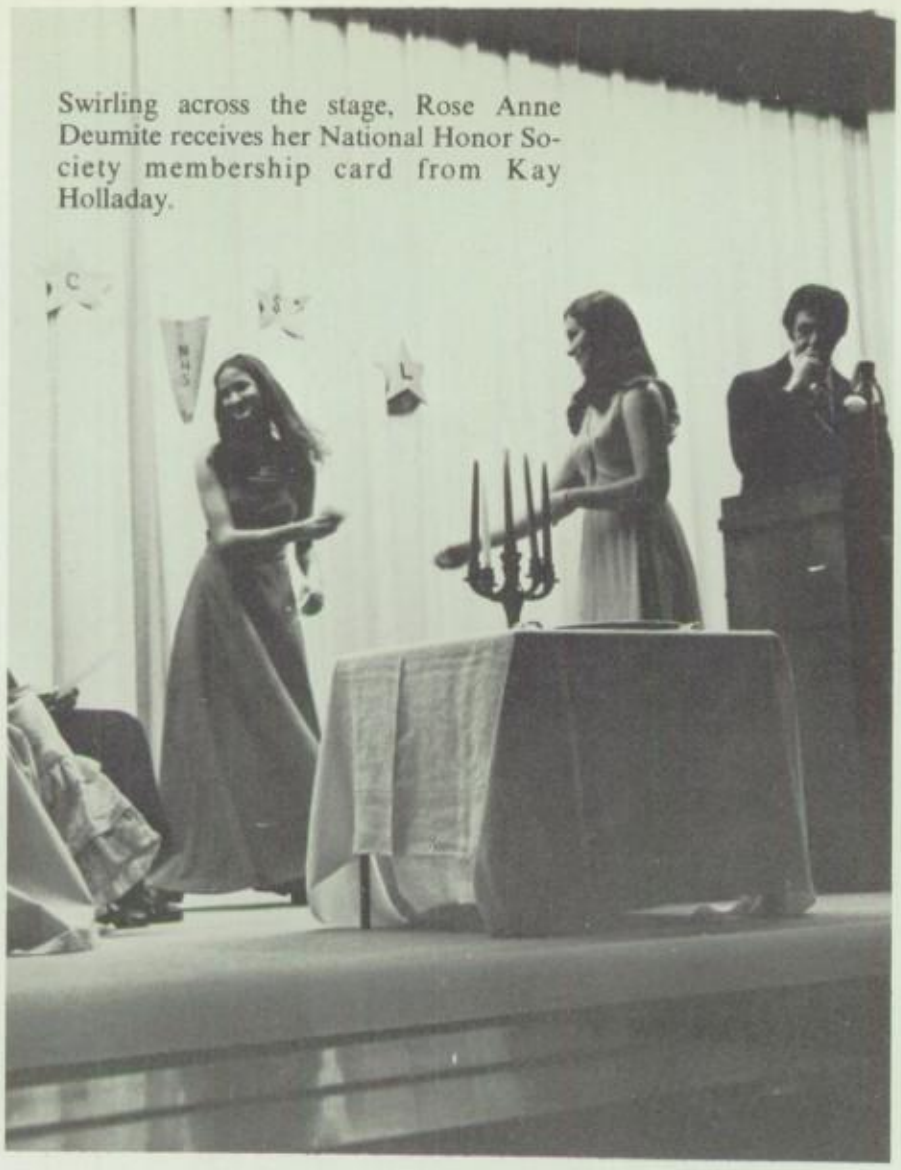
Left: In the Ag greenhouse, Chris Bacon and Johnny Laird inspect tomato plants.

Service with a smile

Above: Enjoying the Teacher Appreciation Party, Mrs. Cross and Mr. Martin delightfully accept some fruit punch.

Above right: A few Student Council members relax after preparing refreshments for teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Right: Purchased by the Student Council, this Bicentennial rug decorates the south stairwell.



Swirling across the stage, Rose Anne Deumite receives her National Honor Society membership card from Kay Holladay.

Composed of a number of hard-working students, the National Honor Society and Student Council are called the service organizations of our school.

Displayed in our Student Council members are the high qualities of leadership and loyalty. Early in the year they began tackling the numerous jobs around the school, such as the painting of the parking lot and the red fire boxes in town. Then, in recognition of our teachers, the council celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week by proclaiming a specific teacher each morning as Teacher of the Day and at the week's end members worked feverishly to prepare a party for all the faculty.

To give students initiative to excel in their studies, awards were given to the top students of the different classes at Honors Night sponsored by the National Honor Society. A new ceremony was added to the National Honor Society this year with a formal installation of officers program during which membership cards were distributed.

The members of both organizations were constantly active contributing time and energy in service.

A mass of starving students purchase goodies during a National Honor Society bake sale.

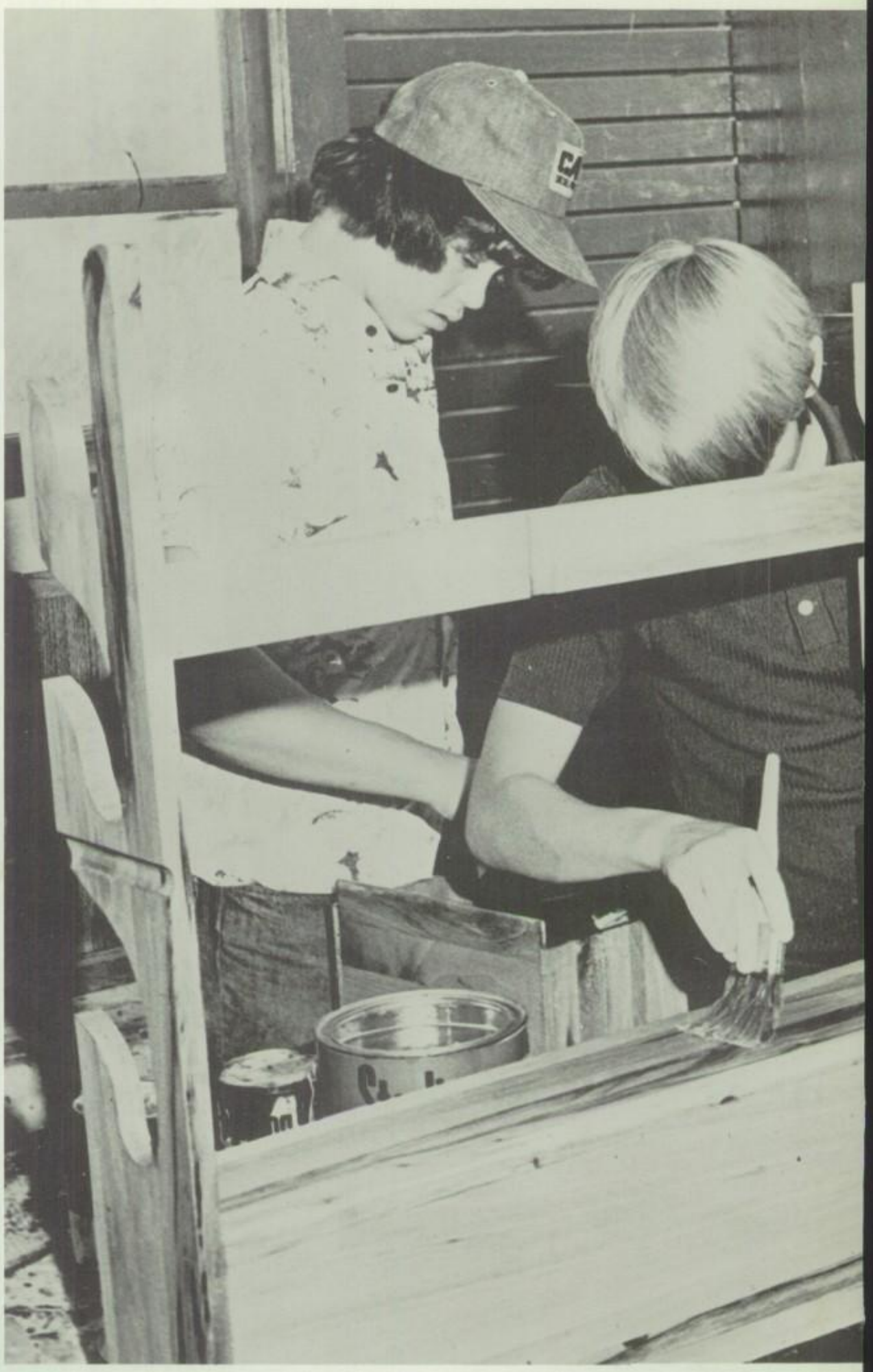
Drawing the plans

Industrial Arts and Mechanical Drawing combine study with practical training.

Industrial Arts' students learn the proper techniques for cutting, drilling, and sanding as they construct projects varying from bookshelves to fishing oars.

As Mechanical Drawing students lay-out the blueprints from which such projects may be built, specializing in home designing, they become acquainted with compasses, thirty and forty degree angles, and the T-square, a few tools of their trade.

Both courses encompass the individual's creativity and imagination with preparation for potential in all facets of architecture.

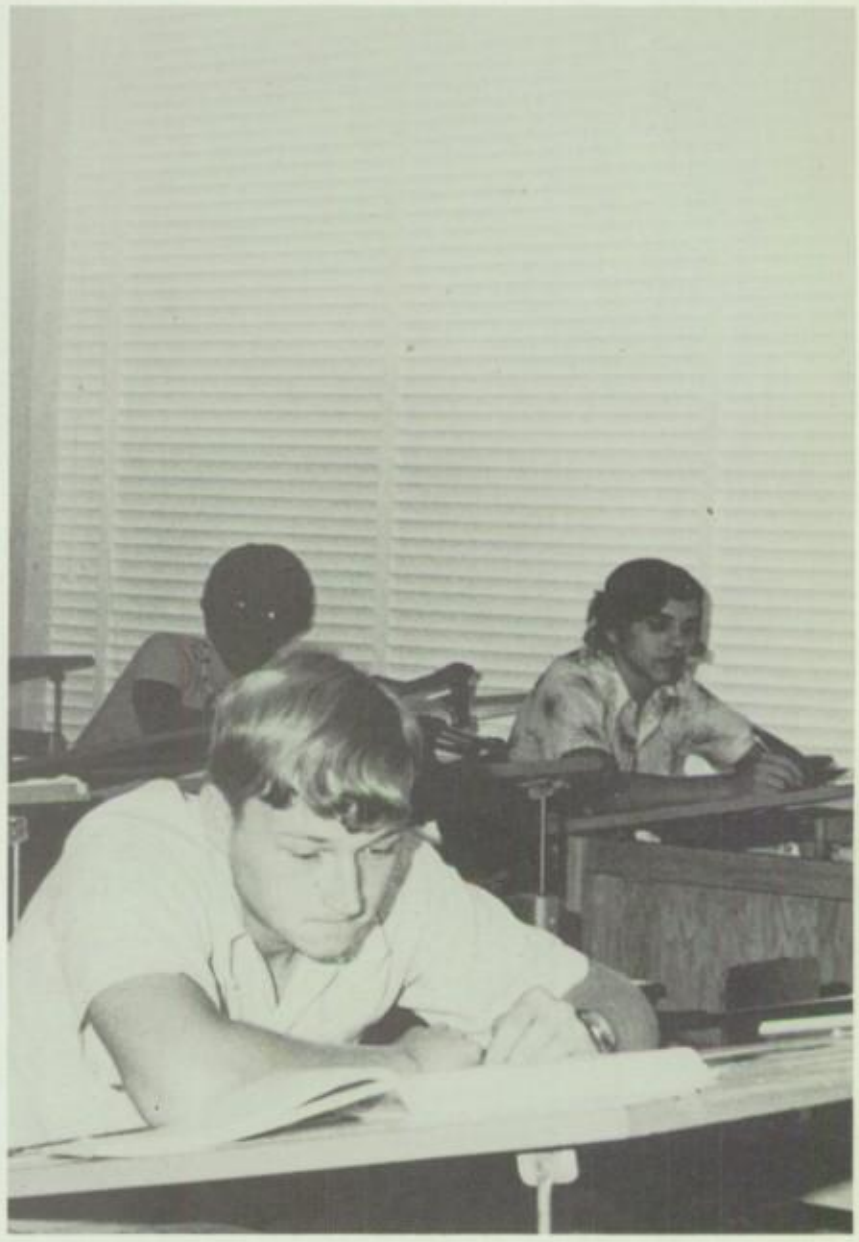


Painting the finishing touches to a gun-rack are Blaine Stevenson and Johnny Granger.

Using the jigsaw Calvin Davis cuts specified designs out of plywood while Ronnie Green assists.

to build a better future

Precision is the name of the game as Eric Thomas drafts in Mechanical Drawing.



Reading their assignment in Mechanical Drawing are Troy Brannon, Roosevelt Wilson, and Sidney Dickey.

Rounding the edges with a disk sander is Kelvin Curtis as Kevin Fournerat gives advice as to know the boat paddle should look.

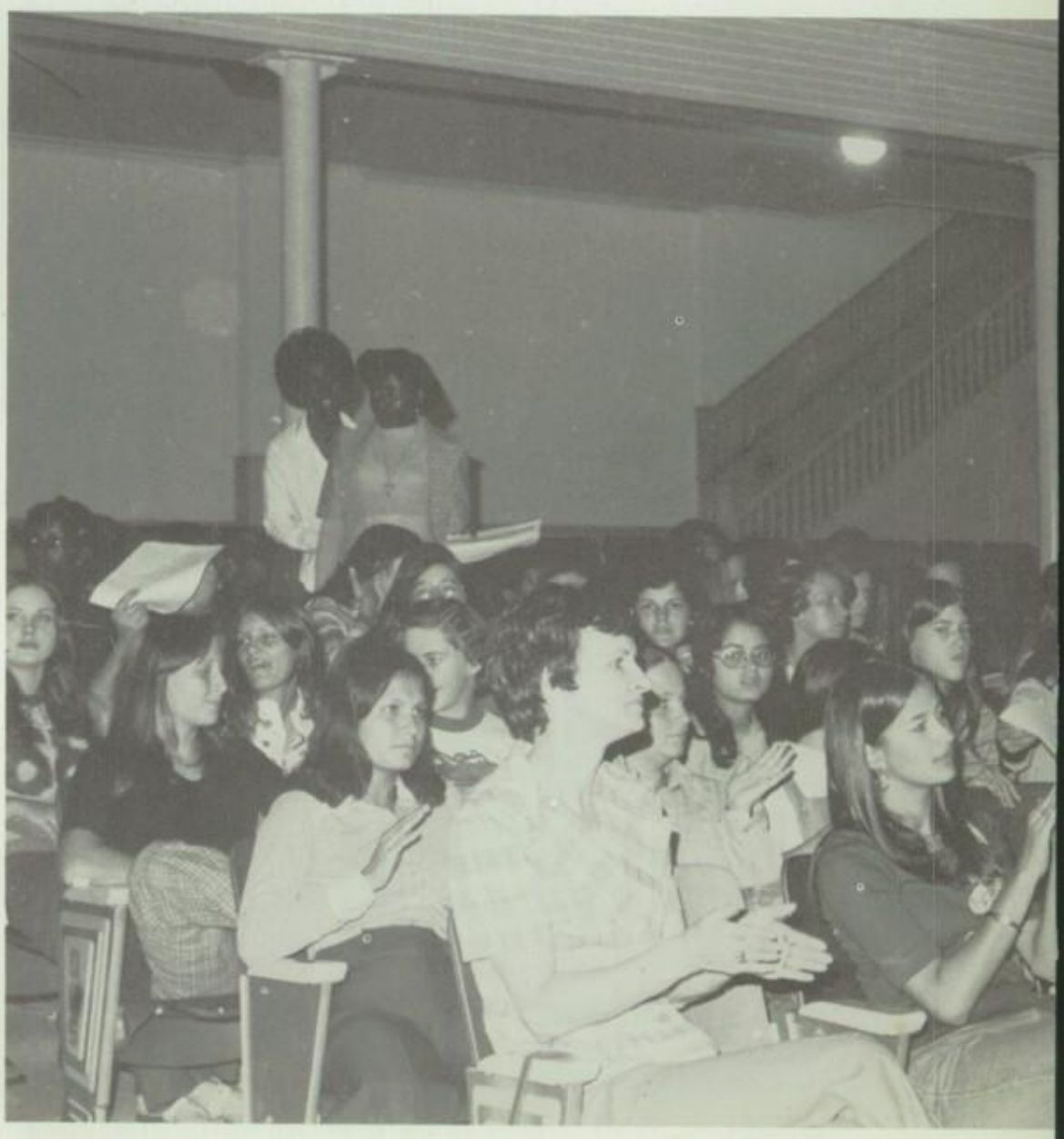
A girl's world

Future Homemakers have been taught to excel in different areas of home living such as food and nurtition, clothing, child development and home management.

The girls planned parties, banquets, and monthly meetings. They enjoyed being creative with their knowledge of crafts and hobbies which was used for profit and fun.

They developed poise and self-confidence and learned to share responsibilities by participating in local, parish, and distict meetings.

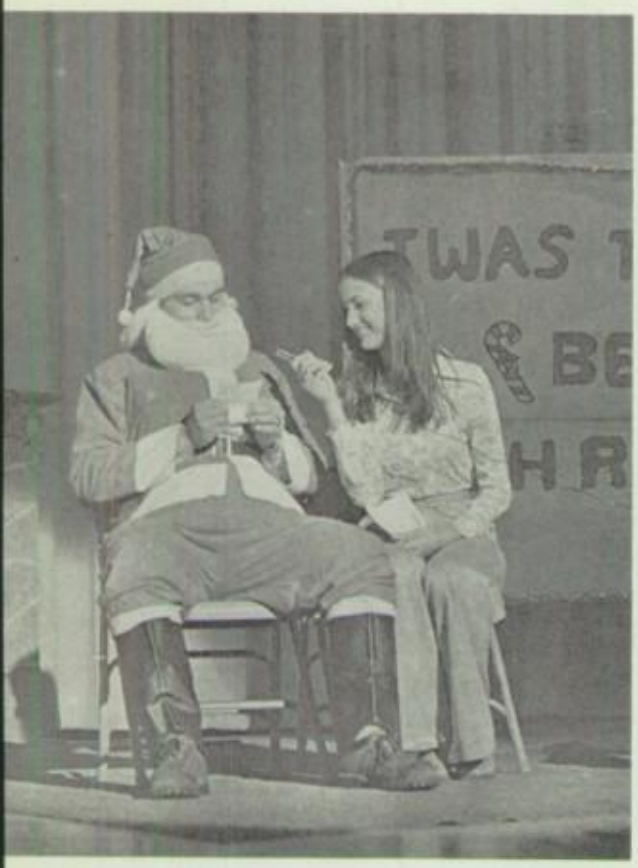
At the last meeting, several seniors were recognized. Rose Anne Deumite had the highest average, Julie Vercher was named the Outstanding FHA member, Bonnie Vidrine was named Miss Betty Crocker and Jan Duck was crowned Miss FHA.



Top: With a Bicentennial flair, the Freshmen FHA'ers serve a meal.

Above: Members learn about painting and decoupage from Mrs. Perkins' demonstration.

Right: Once a month, FHA members assemble to enjoy entertainment and demonstrations.



Left: FHA Sweetheart Rose Anne Deumite assists FHA Beau Jim Thompson in reading the letters to Santa.

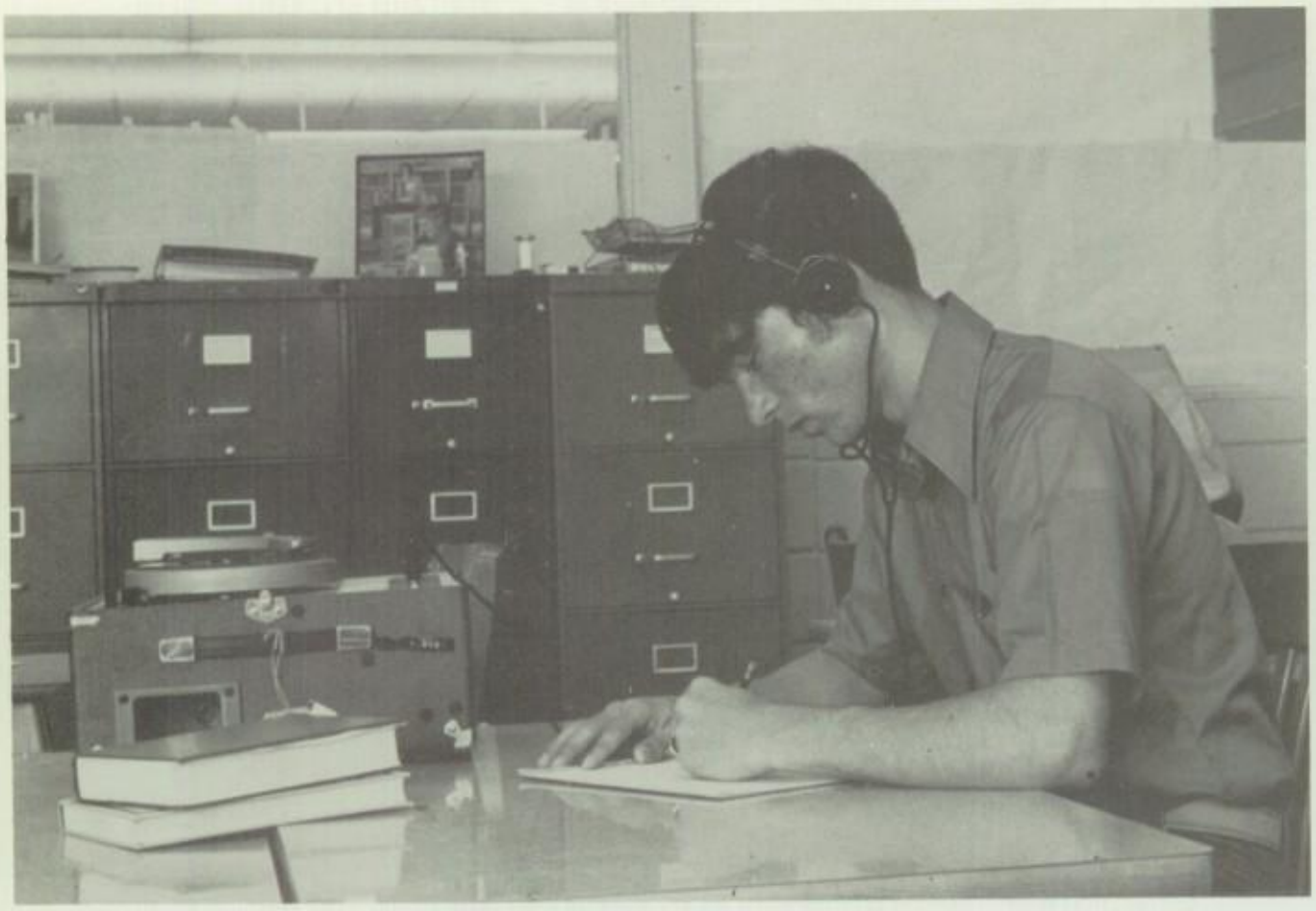
Above: Local president Jan Duck introduces the old and new officers at the mother-daughter banquet.

Left: The proud winners of the "leg contest" are: Kendall Johnson, Mac Twiner, Rusty Fox, and Tim Guillory.

Bottom: With radiant smiles, the young ladies form a line to eat at the mother-daughter banquet.

Battling through business

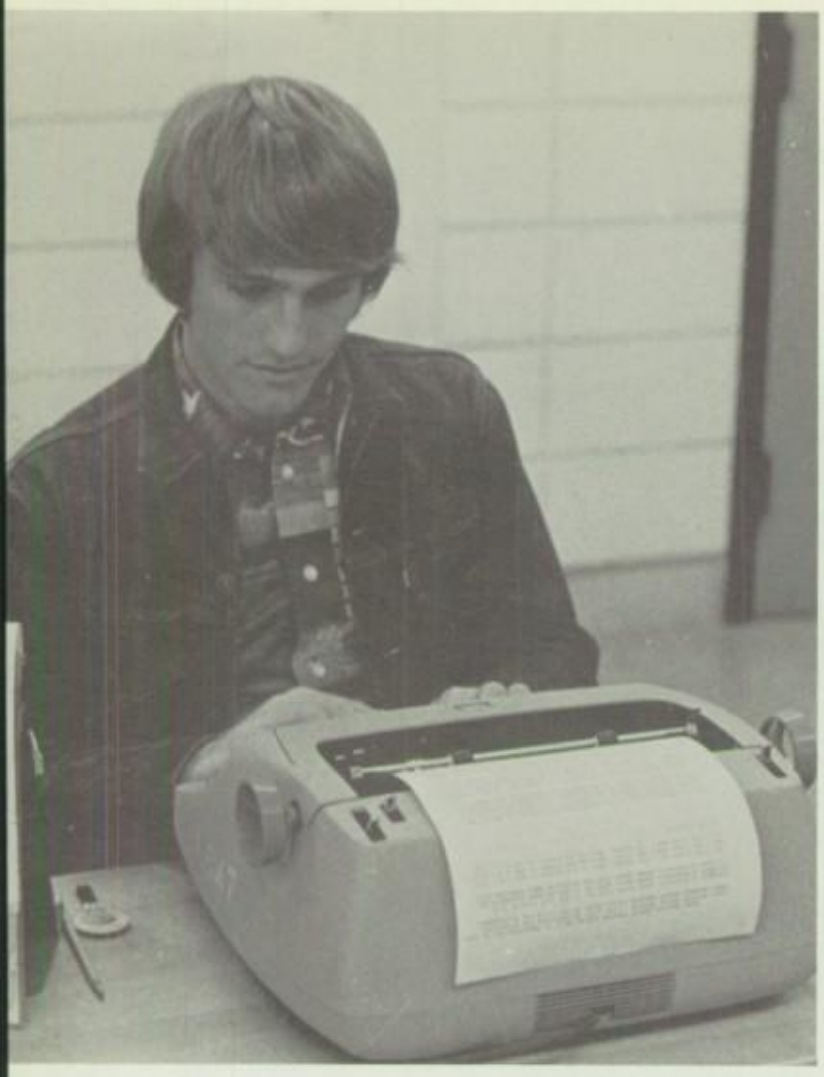
Practicing his shorthand is Keith Willis as he listens to the dictaphone.



Jhon extingkished tke frie ... Darn!, the wrong keys again! Five more sentences left to do in the manuscript and the time clock sounds off. Just three pages of shorthand left and that extra 16¢ has thrown all my bookkeeping records off. Such are the thoughts of the average OHS business student. General business, bookkeeping, shorthand, clerical practice, recordkeeping, data processing, GCE, and DE provide fine foundations for those who plan to entor the commercial world after high school.

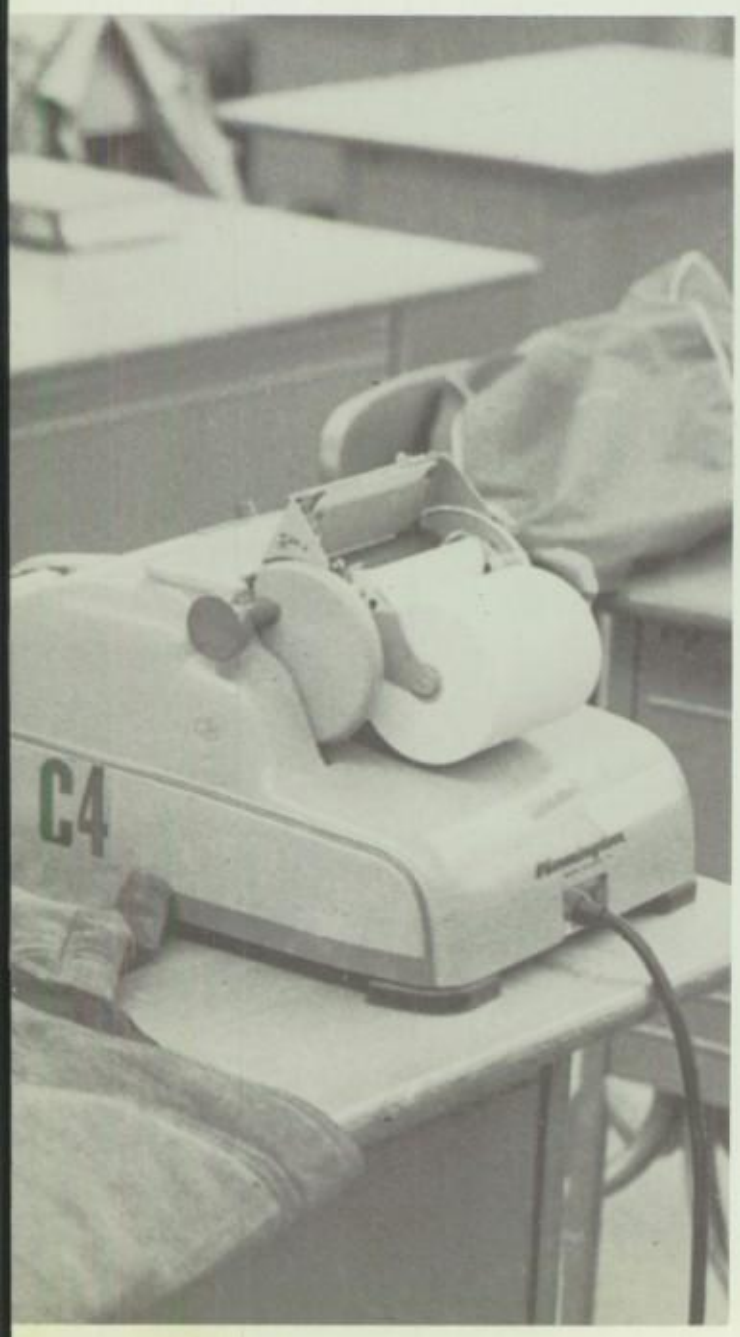
The Future Business Leaders of America are active business students who put their various skills into competition with other schools. FBLA captured third place in the district conference at Westlake. In the state conference Faye Wilkerson, Terri Karam, and Chris Karam managed to place against tough competition consisting of 40 schools from across the state.

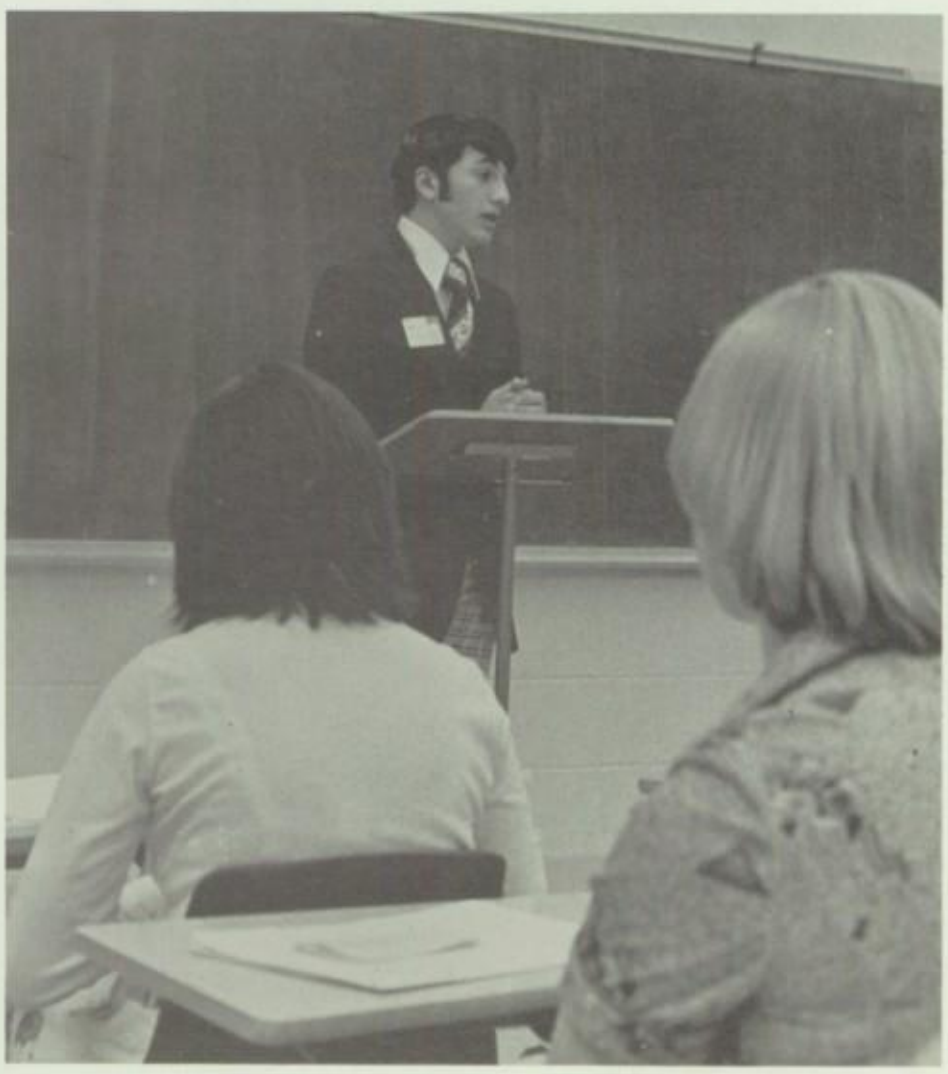
Working on her bookkeeping records is Roxanne Anderson.



Concentrating on typing a neat lesson is Scotty Scott.

Making competent use of the key-punch machine is Melissa Jones.





Delivering a superior rating speech at the FBLA District Conference is Chris Karam.

Farmer's Delight

April 24, 1976, marked the date for Aggie Day sponsored by the Future Farmers of America. Competitive categories included the egg-toss, sack-race, pie-eating, and the greased-pig contests. Competition was fierce but pressure was slight because of the friendly atmosphere. When the dust cleared from the competition the following emerged as winners: egg-toss, Chris Karam and Steve Espinosa; sack-race, Sidney Dickey and Grant Willis; pie-eating, Ricky Henry; and greased-pig contest, Jeff Ballard.

The purpose of this event was to raise money—collected from concessions and entry fees—for the local chapter of the FFA.

Above center: Returning the pig to captivity after the greased-pig chase are Randy Welch, Roland West, Jeff Ballard, and Grant Willis, while Tommy Davis and Amy Erwin watch.

Above right: Although first round warm-ups for the sack-races were unsuccessful for Sidney Dickey and Grant Willis, they later captured first place in the contest.

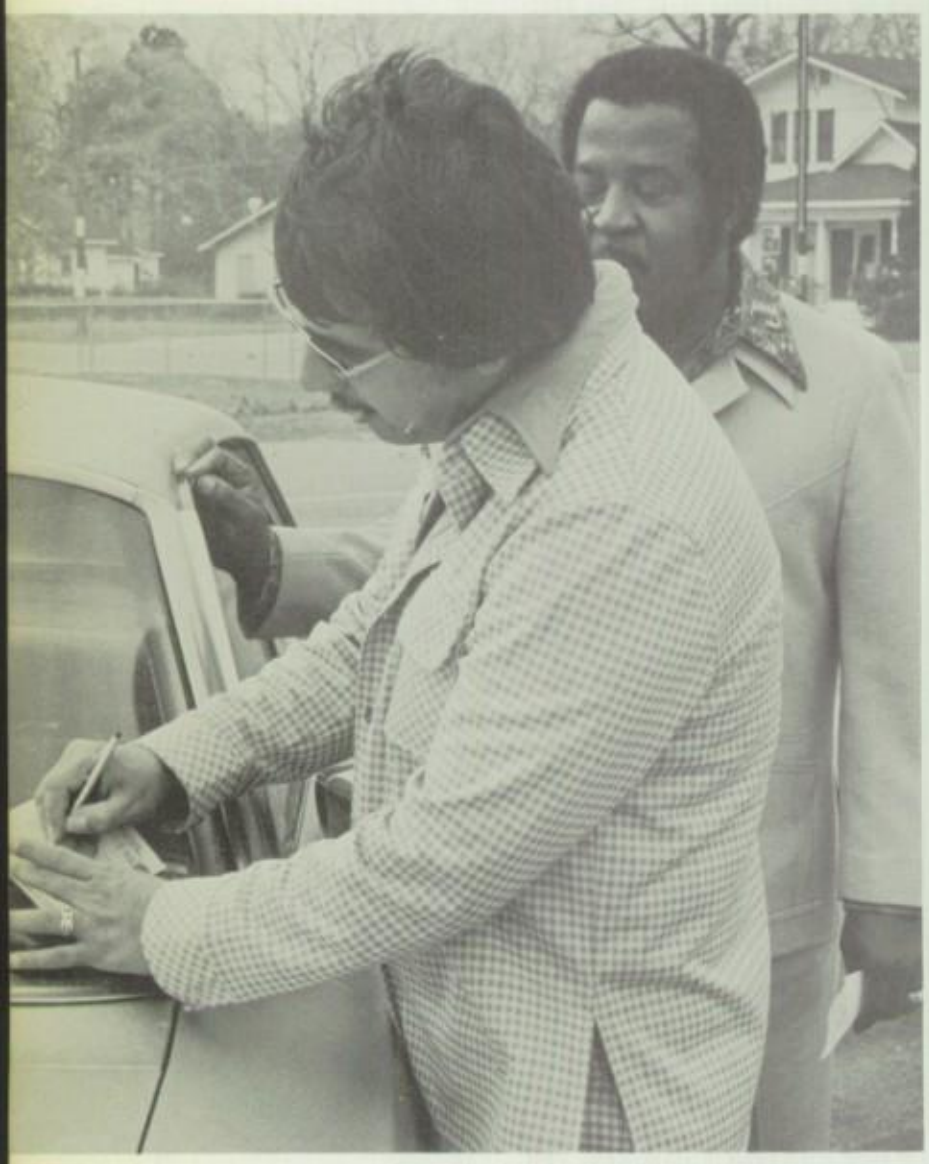
Right: Awaiting the start of the sack-race finals are Jeff Ballard, Matt Dyer, Carla Leggett, and Angelia McDaniel.

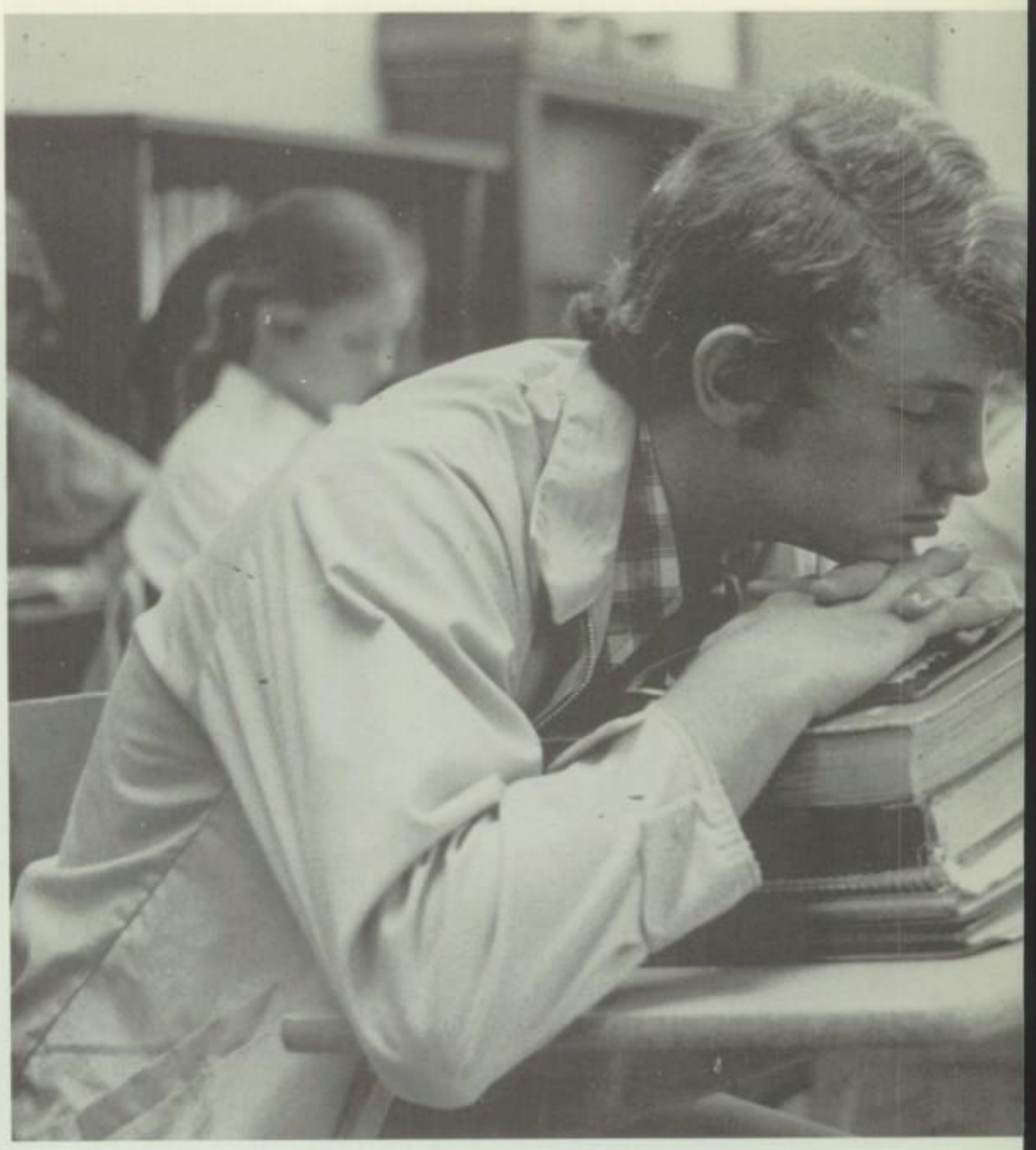
Above: In a winning effort Carrie Guree stuffs a piece of pie into Ricky Henry's mouth. Also in the competition is Matt Dyer pictured in the foreground.

Left: Waiting anxiously for the start of Aggie Day are some eager competitors.

Sleeping seems to be the best way for Charles Clauss to pass the time during one of the dull hours.

Another no no . . . Writing a ticket for an illegally parked car are Mr. Espinosa and Mr. Johnson.





A hand hopelessly yanks on the lock which prevents one from entering the restroom for urgent use or a quick smoke.

The first week, the first Friday, and the first rained out Jamboree. Marilyn Jones seems to think this is a disgusting way to begin the 1975 football season.

It's a Pain in the Neck . . .

. . . this phrase voiced by many students applied to the numerous new school rules and regulations.

Smoking in the restrooms resulted in bolted doors which virtually prevented the use of this facility for its designed purpose. Standing in the biting winds before the morning bell and during lunch was torture. Digging through stacks of books to locate term paper references was a strain. Adding to this pain was the librarian's refusal to check out these materials because of a misplaced ID card. Chains blocking the parking lot exit was a frustrating experience for the work-study students.

Undoubtedly the "pain of the year" was finding that the FBLA poster (a product of blood, sweat, and tears) did not meet specifications and, hence, was disqualified.

Displaying the pain of presenting an ID card to gain entry into a basketball game are Rebecca Doyle and Linda Dees as Mrs. Sandell and Mrs. Cross look on.

Hoping there is a mistake, Carrie Guree and Beth Hall anxiously watch as Mr. Karam recalculates their six weeks grades.

The transition of the school term from the first to second semester also marked the change of the band from marching to concert season. During this latter half of the season, Mr. Jack Johnson worked tirelessly and endlessly, preparing the band for contests at McNeese. However, like many of the other top bands in the area, its work was fruitless. Because of extremely hard judging, all the band achieved at contest was a *Very Good* rating.

The instrumental organization produced its annual spring concert at which time awards were presented to deserving band members. During the concert, Bobby Vercher was presented with the John Phillip Sousa Award and Mr. Johnson was presented a plaque by the band commending him on a job well done.

The year ended with flag, rifle, and majorette auditions as everyones' expectations centered around preparations to make next year's band the best ever.

Giving the band a brassy sound, the trombones and baritones provide many low tones.

The trumpets blare, the saxophones honk, yet its music comes out sweet.

Symphonic sounds

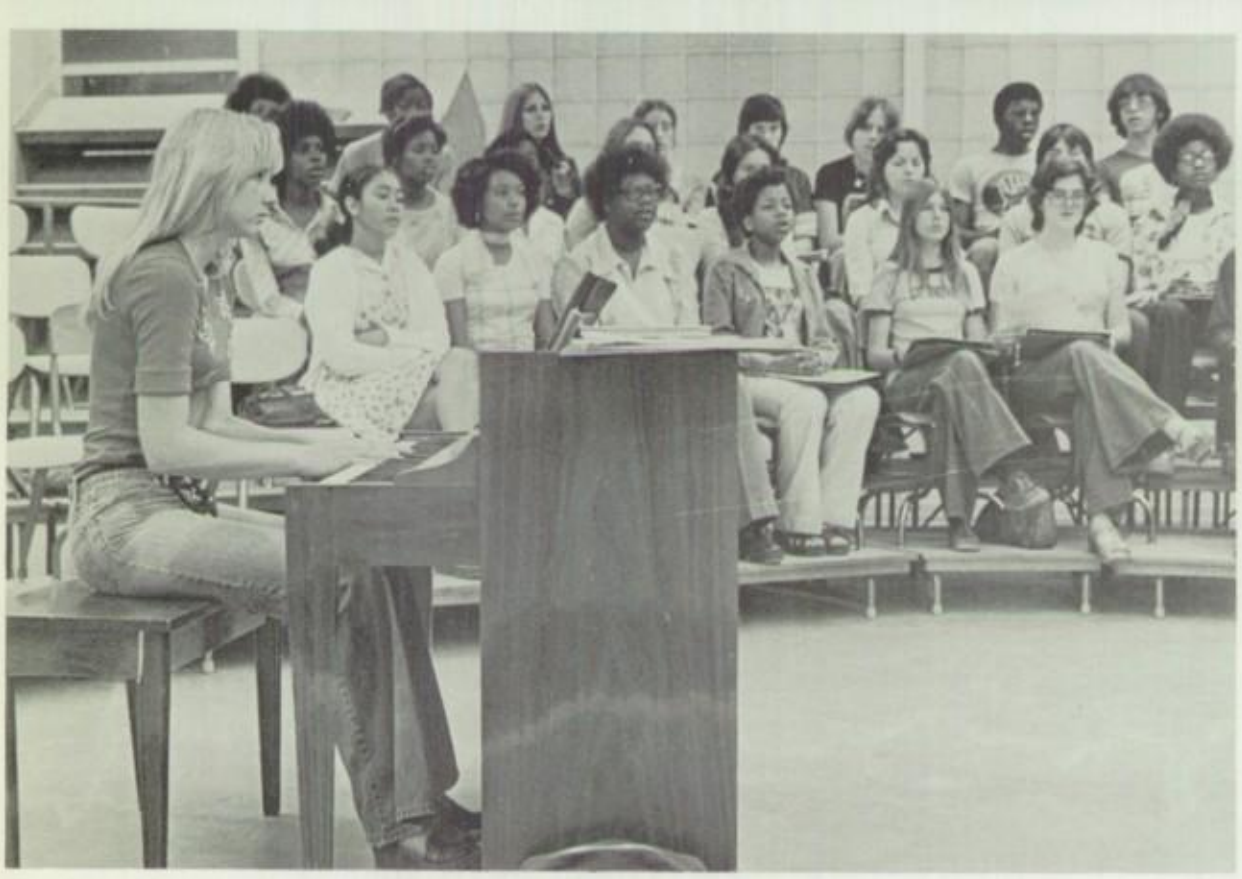
While in concert, the first trumpets send messages of sweet harmony across the stage.

Our band performs its very best when uptightly dressed.

In directing "Irish Folk Song Suite," Mr. Jack Johnson increases and decreases movement to complete this lullaby.

vocal vibes

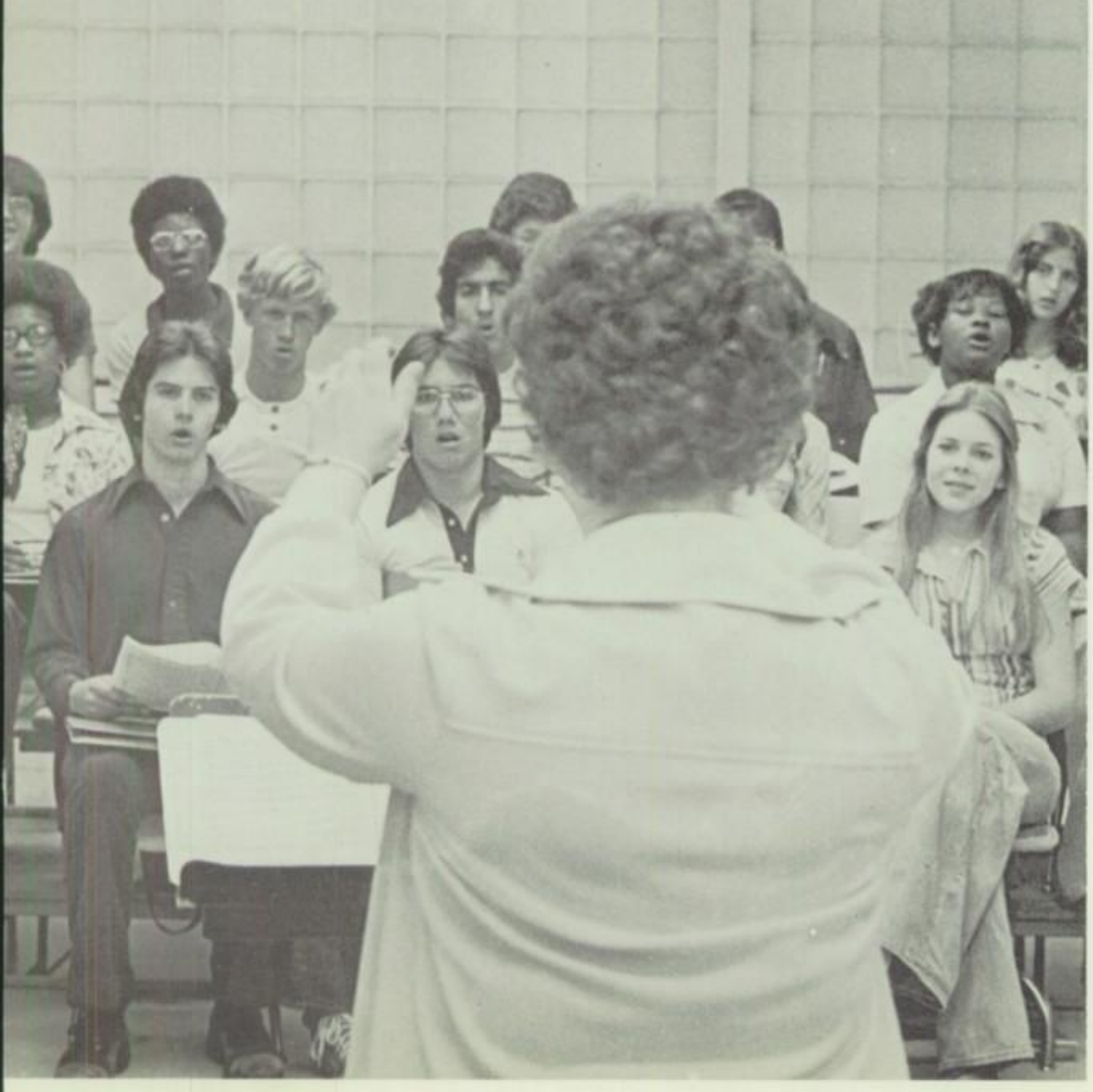
With hands upright, Mrs. Espinosa signals to hold out the whole note while the chorus prepares for its Spring Concert.



Accompanying a chorus is an enduring task which takes time and patience. Allison Hulick gives this job her best.

During the annual Spring Concert, the voices blend in harmony during "America the Beautiful", as if it were painting a picture of our great land.

"There's magic in music, there's magic in sound." This opening line of "The Magic of Music" does indeed explain the hypnotic effect of vocal music–sheer magic. The choral department under the leadership of Mrs. Shirley Espinosa thrilled the audience with their "magical performances" during the Christmas and Spring Concerts. With the age old chant, "Peace on Earth; Goodwill Toward Men", the chorus exemplified Christ as "King of Peace". During the Spring Concert, the vocal ensemble employed new folk-rock arrangements of the old American melodies, "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "America" which spirited the audience into renewed love for our great land.



Adding a modern touch to a vocal selection, Brent Willis performs his Talent Show award-winning song.

Practicing with the attitude which makes a program successful, the chorus prepares for a concert during one of its last rehearsals.

Honoring where

They marched with dignity down the middle aisle; they met their seats with pride on their faces; they remained standing in respect, the processional ended but Honors Night had just begun.

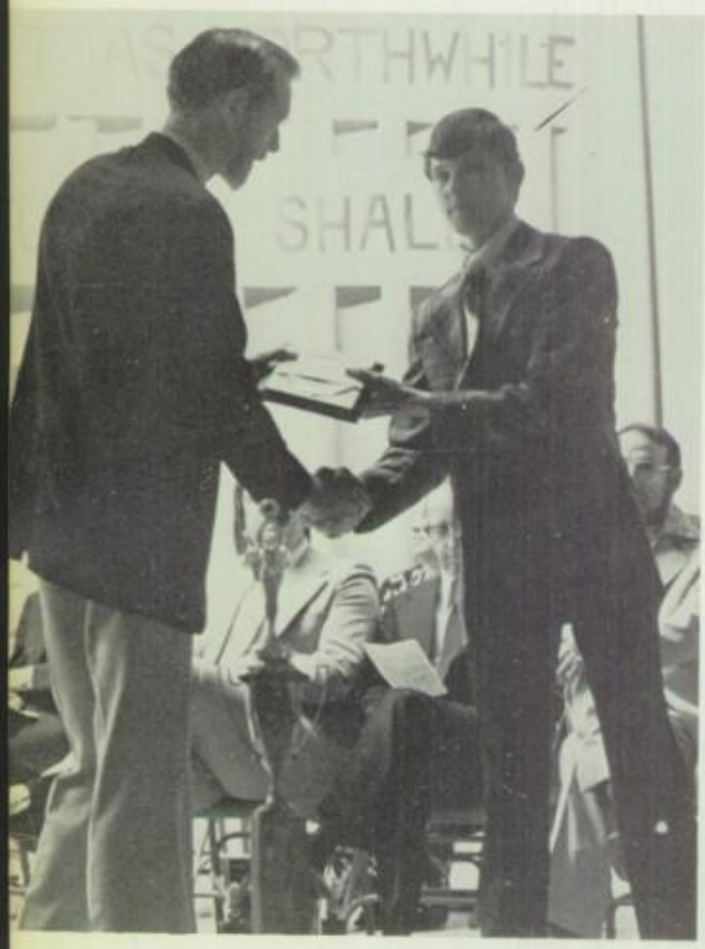
Representatives of the faculty awarded top students certificates and medals in all areas of the curriculum.

The Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors marched across the stage to receive individual scholastic average awards. The Seniors who labored for the past four years to keep an average of 3.0 and above were relieved of much tension as they finally were inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Presentations of scholarships, the overall class-average trophy, and civic organization awards comprised the remainder of the program.

Additional Honors Night pictures may be found on pages 108-110.

A man of business, Keith Willis receives the Freeman Mowad Commerce Award from Mr. C.G. Clauss.



For outstanding achievement in high school science subjects, Kendall Johnson receives the Rotary Club Science Award from Mr. Ellis Fleming.

Gracefully accepting the South Central Bell Science Award from Mr. Mike Fatula is Faye Wilkerson.

honor is due

Smiling in a show of open surprise, Jennifer Bradley accepts the Oakdale City Court Social Studies Award from Judge Navarre.

Their number came up, so Faye Wilkerson and Jim Murry advanced to accept the Lions' Club Math Award from Mr. Johnny Abrusley.

Receiving the Oakdale Jaycee Chemistry Award from Mr. Terry Johnson is Jimmy Atkinson.

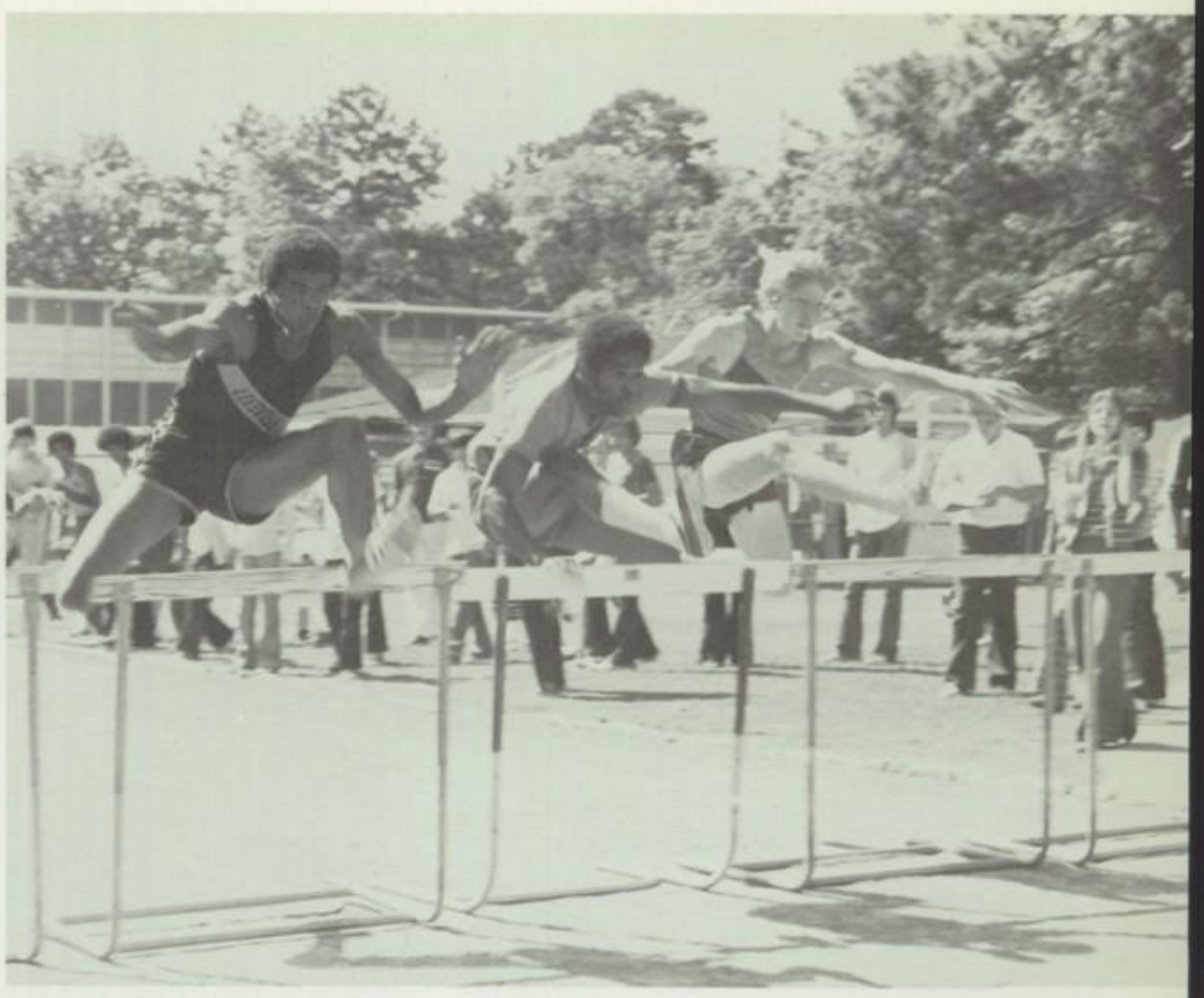
Athletes excel in Fuller Relays

The track program for this season proved to be a year of accomplishments. The track team had its weak spots as well as its strong ones with a seasoned team of veterans. The field team was superb with many first and second placings in the long and triple jumps, javlin, high jump, and shot events. These events often provided the bulk of the points for the team.

The team performed well in the Fuller Relays taking 3rd place against rough competition.

At the district meet held in Rayne, Mike Rogers qualified for Regionals in the long jump along with Randy Schaefer in the shot, Steve Wilson in the javlin, and Jim Murry in the high jump.

Three of these members have qualified for the state meet held May 7, 1976, at LSU Baton Rouge. Mike Rogers entered the long jump, Steve Wilson the javlin, and Jim Murry the high jump.



In the high hurdles event, Darrell Johnson steps his way toward the finish line in the Fuller Relays.

Like a wild stallion, Edward Franklin represents Oakdale as a speedster in the first heat of the 100-yard dash.

The feeling of success is well expressed on the face of Mike Rogers as he leaps for a school record in the long jump.

Concentration is the name of the game and Randy Schaefer is playing it well on his way to a 47 foot heave of the twelve pound shot put.

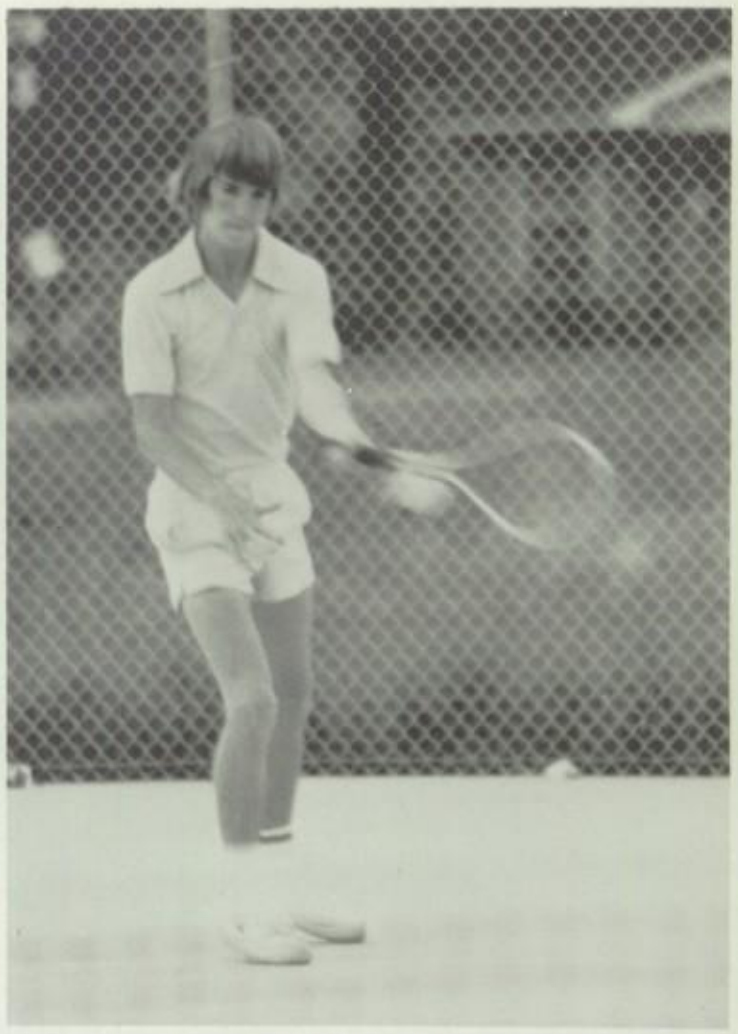
Up and over the bar is Jim Murry demonstrating "the flop" as he tied the school's high jump record during the Fuller Relays.

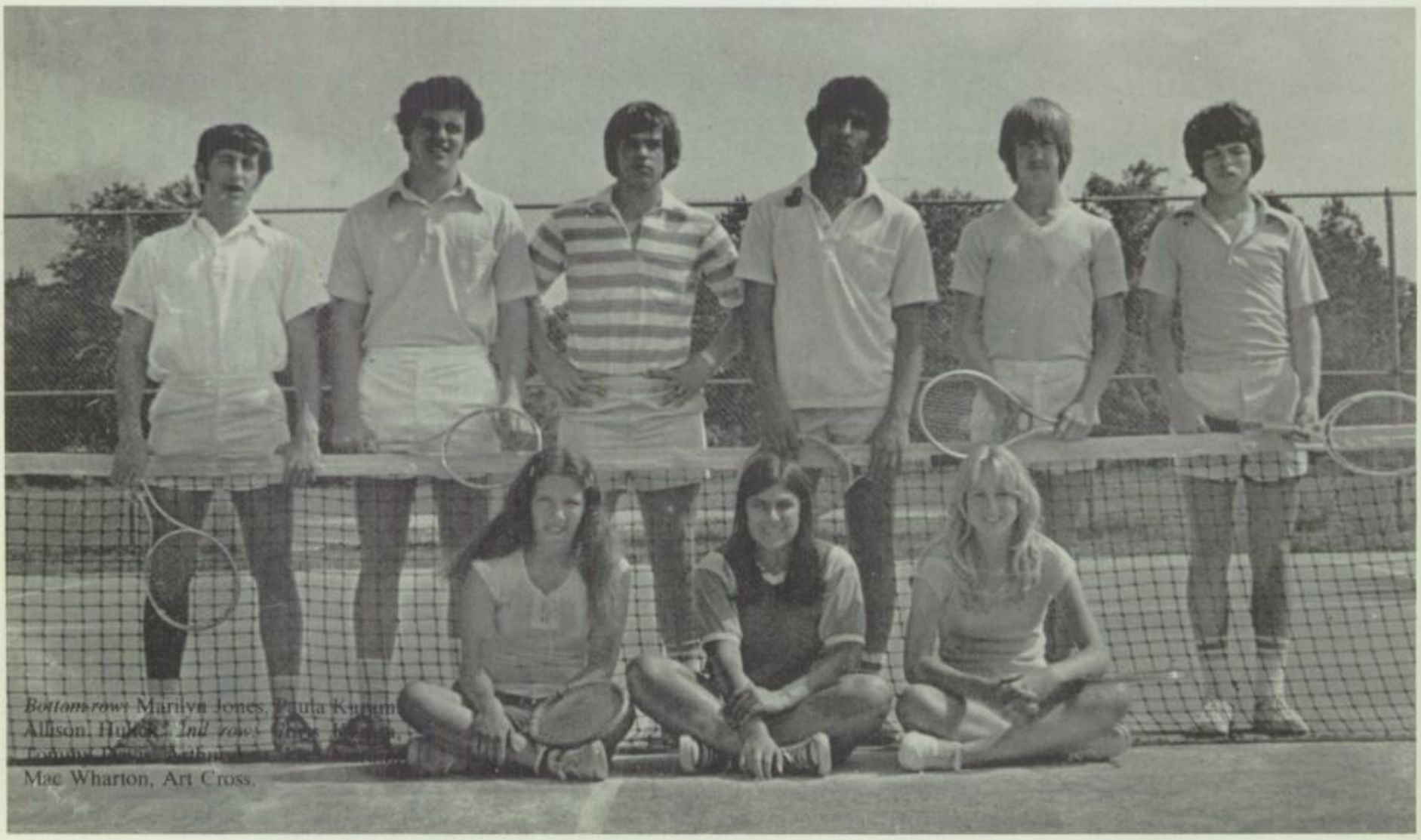
As if he were trying to reach the sun, Steve Wilson throws the javlin to attain a second consecutive 1st place victory.

Headed for a safe landing, Mark Townley pulls himself over the bar in order to complete a ten-foot vault.

Returning with a forehand stroke is No. 2 seeded Mac Wharton.

Executing a backhand placement shot is No. 1 seeded Art Cross.





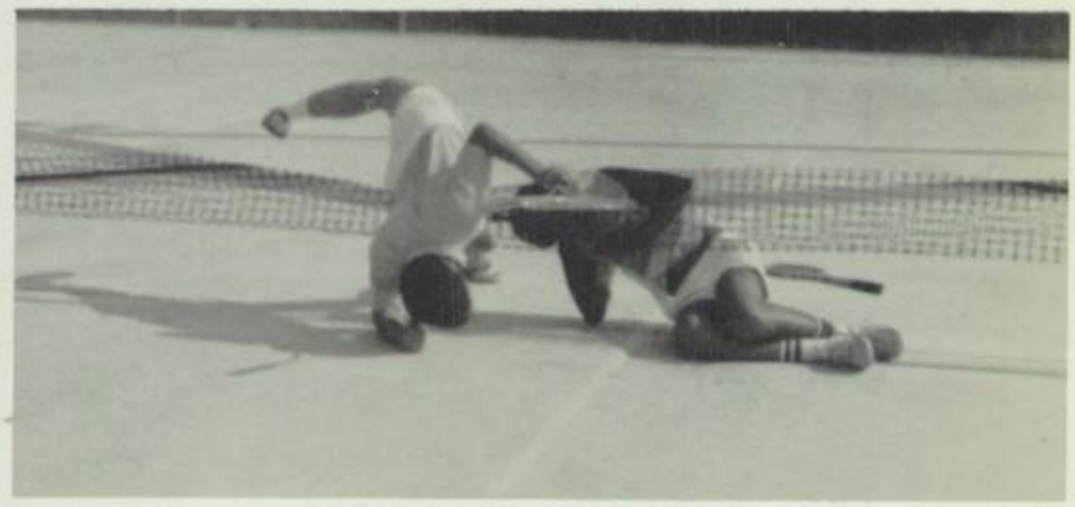
Bottom row Mariiva Jones, Paula Kurum
Allison Hulick. *2nd row* Chris
Mac Wharton, Art Cross.

Concentrating about his serve is No. 4 seeded Arthur Lee.

The tennis team posted another winning season this year. The first match of the season ended with a victory over DeRidder. The netters' only defeat was on the home court against a tough Westlake team. The remaining matches were all wins except for a tie with DeRidder. Traveling to Alexandria for regionals, the team could not seem to be able to capture any high honors.

Practice this season was more intense and enjoyable because of the addition of four new tennis courts. The availability of fine court facilities will no doubt be a contributing factor in boosting the enthusiasm of the players.

Following through with a backhand is No. 1 seeded Allison Hulick.



Of Course winning a long match is fun. Tommy Davis and Jack Karam are shown taking their victory jump—and fall.

"Bobby Socks, Knee Socks, Nylon Hose . . .

. . . Sorry boys that's as far as it goes." This yell by Melanie Perry and Carol Miller, imitating cheerleaders Rose Anne Deumite and Julie Vercher, marked the beginning of the 1975-76 Junior-Senior Banquet, and introduced the theme, "Happy Days". May 13, 1976, the Seniors were being honored, and the program got underway with a welcome by "Wolfman Jack," Jack Karam and his introduction of "Fonzi," Chris Karam, the Master of Ceremonies. "The Swinging Inmates," Tara Hargrove and Terri Karam, provided entertainment by performing a dance routine to "Jailhouse Rock", "The Platters," Charles Bradley, Jennifer Bradley, Bridgette Mason, and Carole Jones, made their appearance, pantomiming the song, "The Great Pretender". Four jitterbug couples trotted onto the stage to do their dance to "At the Hop." Ernest Green made his debut pantomiming the lyrics of "Chantilly Lace". The audience was delighted when James Yarbrough ran up to "Fonzi" and read his "Dear Laverne and Shirley" questions, claiming to have found them in the hall. An example of the humorous questions was: "What would Jan Duck know about raising a flock of Merchants?" The act came to a dynamic end as "Elvis Presley," Arthur Lee did "Blue Suede Shoes" and "Hound Dog".

The banquet closed with these farewell words by the Fonz: "Don't wanna see no sign of your hairy scaries back at this joint no more. Blast off—and Good Riddance!!!

Dressed in the 50's style are the Juniors who provided entertainment for the Senior Banquet.

Shown taking pictures of activities at the Senior Banquet is Robin Kirkland.

Performing a short cheer are Melanie Perry and Carol Miller.

Commenting is Chris Karam as Landy Troquille "dogs" a Senior.

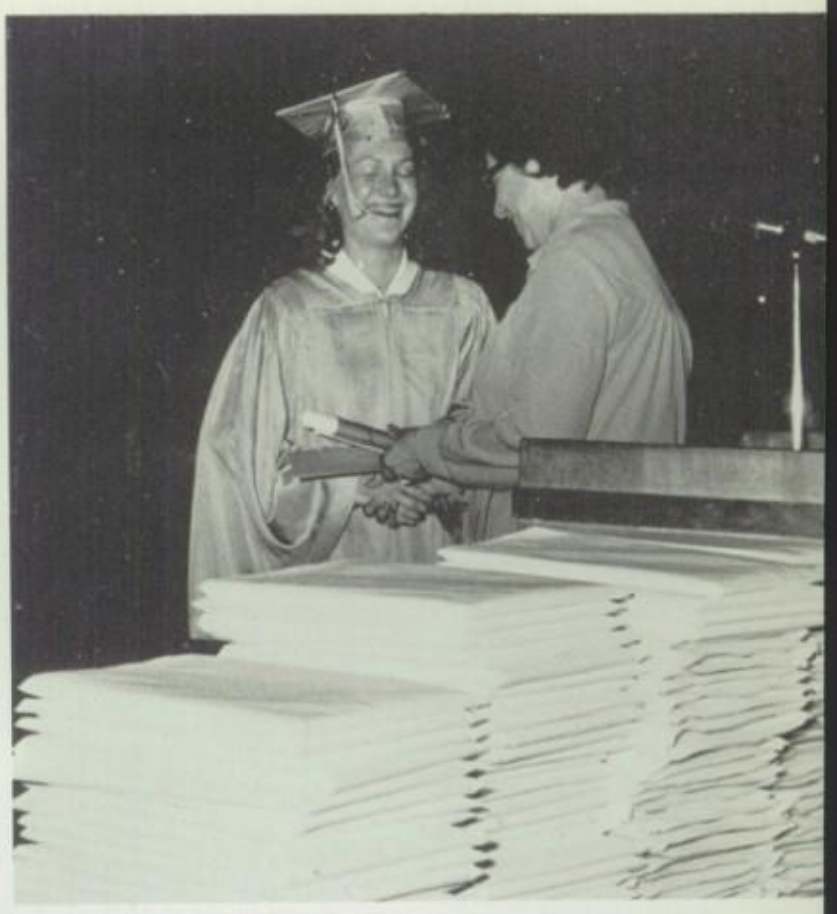
With dancers in the background, Ernest Green pantomimes "Chantilly Lace".

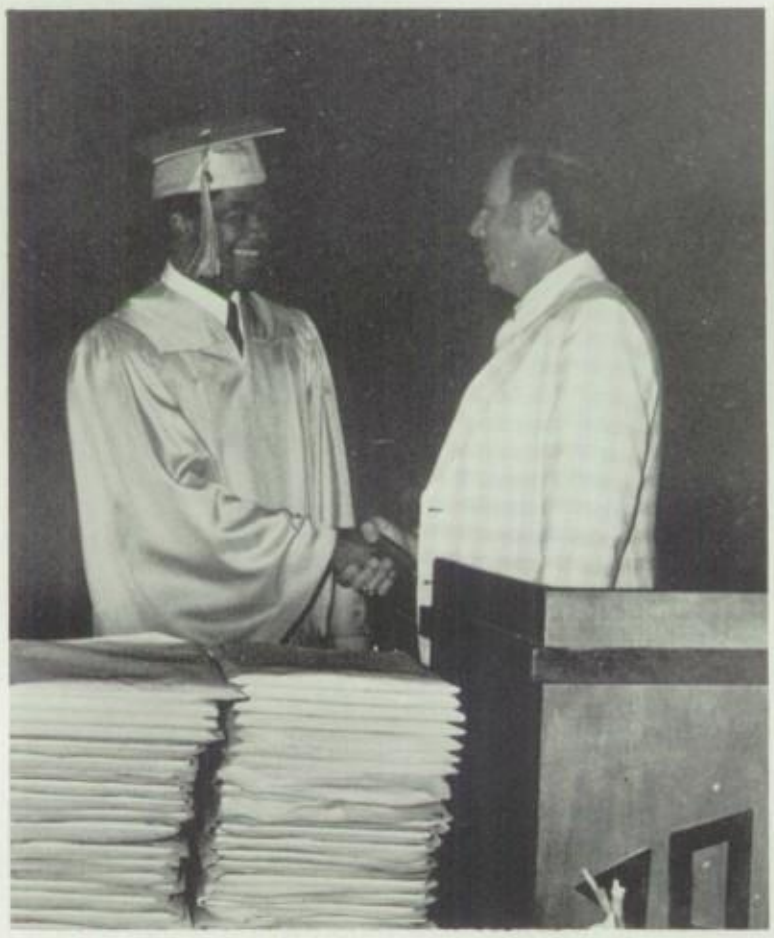
The end—only the beginning

Graduation was held on May 18, 1976, at Memorial Field. For many it marked the end of formal education, while for others it was the beginning. The time had come for the young men and women to take their places in the world. It was a happy time for many. Others were sad at the thought of leaving their dear Alma Mater. During the past four years, these students had encountered many decisions, such as: whether to take chemistry or typing, whether to go out for football or not, whom to ask to the All-Sports Banquet, or what to wear to a dance. These decisions at that time seemed to be very pressing but now they seem to be all fond memories.

While the Seniors marched in to the tune of "Pomp and Circumstance," many thoughts were in their minds. Some were thinking to after the ceremonies and the trip to Fort Walton, Florida; or the dance at the Afro-Scene. Others were thinking of the awards that were to be given.

In addition to the award recipients pictured on these pages were: Linda Dees, Business and Professional Women's Club; Julie Vercher, Bank of Southwest Louisiana; Mary Townsley, Oakdale General Hospital Scholarship; Patricia Harris, Gwen Hines, Fheryl Johnson, and Linda McNutt, Negro Chamber of Commerce; Linda Dees, Susan Donaldson, and Tammy Leggett, Hester and Parrish Fuller English Awards; and Michael Bradley, Fheryl Johnson, Robin Kirkland, Prince Hall Mason Scholarship.

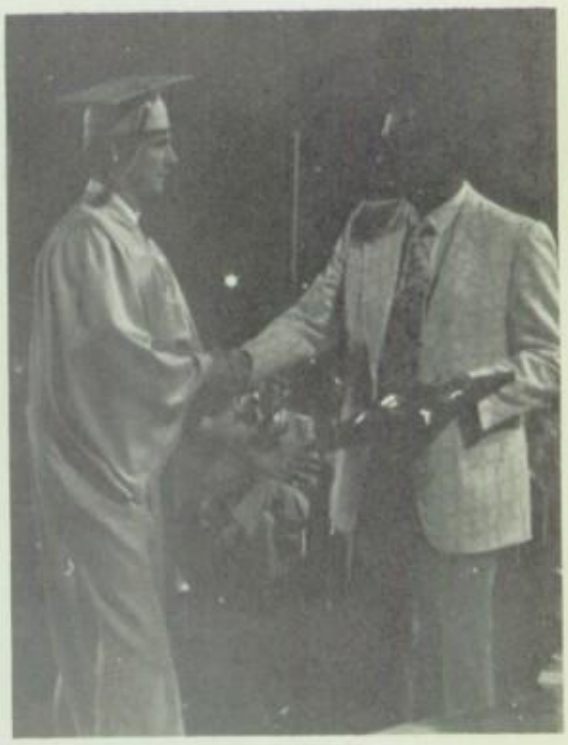




Top left: Presenting her graduation speech, "A Winding Road," is Mary Townsley.

Top center: With much happiness Faye Wilkerson receives the W.T. and Ethel Lewis Burton Foundation Scholarship presented by Mrs. Glynn Jarnagin.

Congratulating Darrell Johnson, the recipient of the Fuller Athletic Scholarship, is Mr. William Fuller.



Left: Anxiously awaiting the Commencement Exercises is the Senior Class of 1976.

Above: Presenting the J.B. and Jessye W. Edwards Scholarship to Kendall Johnson is Mr. Slay Murry, Jr.

Above Left: The climax of Commencement Exercises is the receiving of diplomas. Kayren Green happily receives her diploma from Mr. Leroy Johnson as Margaret Gormanous and Mary Jo Gordon return to their places.

Mass confusion prevails as the band positions itself for pictures.

As shown by Chester Hurst, the tuxedoes worn for the senior portraits dress up the usual student attire of blue jeans and sneakers.

"Pretty as a picture" is how Peggy Byrd will look after Linda Dees adds the finishing touches.

Facial features 72-111

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faculty

groups

Above left: Members of FFA find humor in the yearbook staff's frustrated attempts to assemble them.

Above: The GCE Club poses for pictures. *Bottom row:* Nell Jones, Tim Harper, Rebecca Doyle, Mr. Price, Advisor, Ernest Green, Delmo Doyle. *2nd row:* Mike Beassie, Ken Cross, Bonnie Vidrine, Susan Quirk. *3rd row:* Kathy Rush, Greg Strahan.

Left: FHA members hurry to get their names on the list before the picture is taken.

The head of it all

MR. MACK BOLES
Consumer and General Mathematics.
MRS. TINA CANTER
Home Economics; FHA Sponsor.

MRS. MARGUERITE CHEATHAM
American and World History; Social Studies Club and Student Council Sponsor.
MRS. MARGARET CROSS
Algebra I, General Math and Geometry; Booster and Cheerleader Sponsor.
MRS. JUDY CURL
Composition, English III, and Journalism; Newspaper Sponsor.
MRS. PAT DAVIDSON
Home Economics; FHA Sponsor.

MRS. ADDIE DAVIS
Typing; FBLA Sponsor.
MR. JERRY DOUMITE
General and Physical Science.
MR. RAMON ESPINOSA
Principal; Tennis Coach.
MRS. SHIRLEY ESPINOSA
Chorus.

MISS PHYLLIS HIGDON
Civics, Sociology, and World Geography; Social Studies Club Sponsor.
MRS. ANNA HOLLEY
English II and III.
MRS. FRANCIS HUFF
Girls' Physical Education.
MRS. BILLIE JEAN ISTRE
Algebra II and Advanced Mathematics; 4-H Club Sponsor.

MISS EMILY JACOBY
English I.
MRS. JOY JANTZ
American History, Civics, and Speech; Speech Club Sponsor.
MR. E.L. JOHNSON
Industrial Arts and Mechanical Drawing.
MR. JACK JOHNSON
Band.

MR. LEROY JOHNSON
Assistant Principal.
MRS. PAM JOHNSON
General Business, Typing, and Recordkeeping.
MR. LOUIS KARAM
Biology and Chemistry; National Honor Society and Yearbook Sponsor.
MRS. LENA LEWIS
English III and IV.

MRS. ERMA MACK
Bookkeeping and Shorthand.
MR. LEON MARTIN
Civics.
MRS. RUTH McDANIEL
Librarian.
MR. HAROLD MILLER
Agriculture and Forestry. FFA Sponsor.

MISS JUDY NORMAN
General Science and Home Economics; FHA Sponsor.
MR. LARRY PERKINS
Boys' Physical Education; Head Basketball Coach.
MR. MEL PRICE
General Cooperative Education and Industrial Arts. GCE Club Sponsor.
MRS. MAILLIW RAY
Counselor.

MR. NELSON STAFFORD
Drivers Education; Assistant Football Coach.
MRS. SYBIL STOKES
Algebra.
MISS CLAIRE STORER
Girls' Physical Education; Girls' Basketball Coach.
MR. HUEY THOMAS
Distributive Education; DECA Sponsor.

MR. GLENN WILLIAMS
Boys' Physical Education; Head Football Coach.
MRS. MARY WILLIAMS
Biology.
MR. THOMAS WILLIAMS
English I and II.
MRS. RUTH YARBROUGH
English II and French.

Oakdale 76ers

Remaining true to the red, white and blue, the Seniors chose these as their class colors and picked the American red rose as their flower. With a note of nostalgia, the Seniors selected their theme song, "It's So Hard To Say Goodbye To Yesterday." The upperclassmen's motto "make America's present as worthwhile as its past, and its future shall be more fulfilling," hints of the promise of tomorrow's leaders.

The American flag as well as the following quote was represented on the Seniors' graduation announcement. "Thirteen stars surround our school emblem and thirteen stripes embrace the Spirit of '76. Two hundred years of American history are behind us, and the future is in our hands. We are prepared for the challenge."

Debbie Abrusley
Wynita Allen
Jimmy Atkinson
Chris Bacon

Evelyn Barnaby
Mike Beassie
Tina Bohannon
Danny Bond

Dianne Bond
Dan Boyd
Michael Bradley

Bobby Brown

Robert Bruce

Lawanda Byrd

Peggy Byrd

Sherleece Canada

Donald Carey

Veronica Chamberlain
Gary Chambley

Ruth Christian

Debbie Coker
Ben Cole

Tommy Conley

Bobby Corliss

Ken Cross

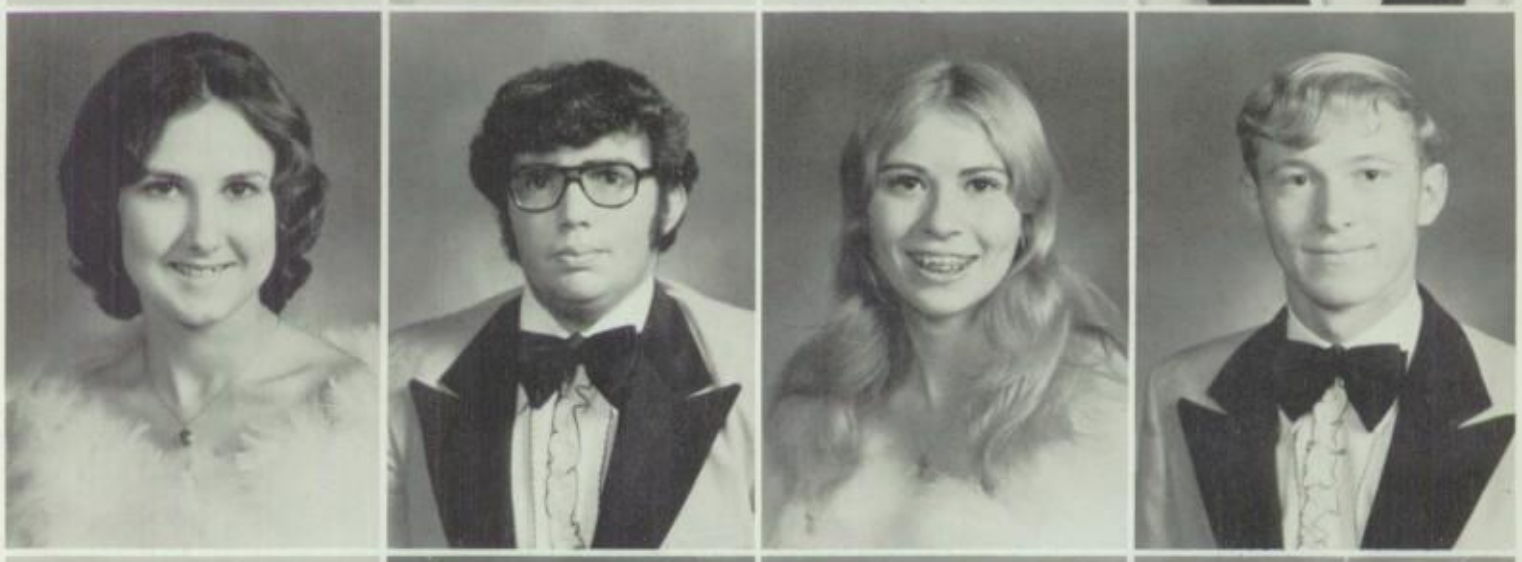
Raymond Curtis
Cynthia Darce

First midterm graduation

Linda Dees
Ken Delaney
Dorothy Denton
Rose Anne Deumite

Susan Donaldson
Alline Doyle
Rebecca Doyle
Keith Doyle

Jan Duck
Dennis Dyer
Gail Edwards
Greg Evans

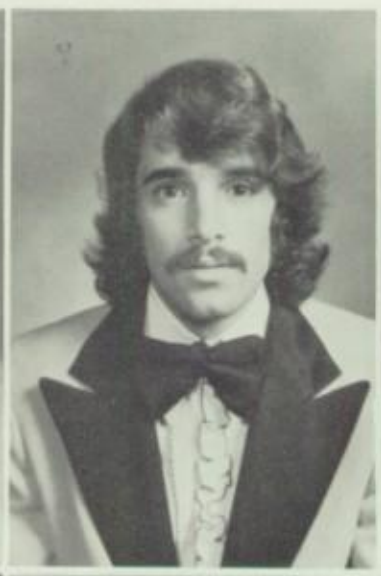


Homer Evins
Marlene Fogleman
Juanita Foster
Rusty Fox

exercises held for 1976 Seniors

Robert Gobert

Margaret Gormanous



Tony Gormanous

Jimmy Granger

Kayren Green

Brenda Hall

Gene Hall

Tim Harper

Pat Harris

Margaret Henry

Gwen Hines

Kay Holladay

James Holmes

Brenda Hurst

Chester Hurst

Anita Johnson

Seniors enjoy

Carl Johnson
Darrell Johnson
Fheryl Johnson
Kathy Johnson

Kendall Johnson
Sidney Johnson
Tony Johnson
Robert Johnston

John Jones
Nell Jones
Joey Karam
Judge Kennedy

Ivy Joe Kimble
Robin Kirkland
Eugene Kreideweis
Dana Laird

Jr.-Sr. Banquet

Tammy Leggett
Dewey Malone
Linda McNutt
Fidy Moncayo

Terrell Moreaux
Toni Mowad
Jim Murry
Gracie O'Carroll

Lorraine Phillips
Susan Quirk
Kenneth Rainey
Norman Reed

Eddie Roberts
Wayne Roberts
Lester Robinson
Bruce Rodriguez

We've finally

Michael Rogers
Sandra Rowley
Kathy Rush
Randy Schaefer

James Semien
Brenda Silva
Gwen Southwell
Bill Stainback

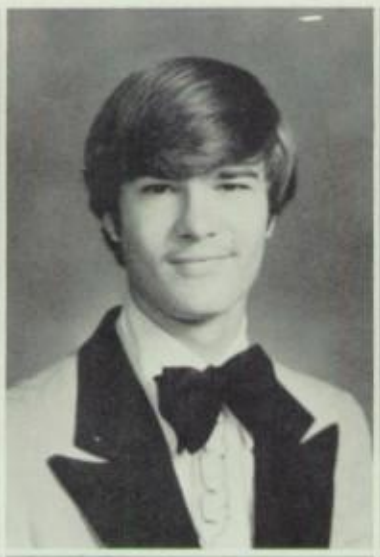
Bryan Strother
Ottis Strother
Veronica Taylor
Jim Thompson

Keith Townley
Mary Townsley
Bruce Turner
Coleman Turner

made it through

Mack Twiner

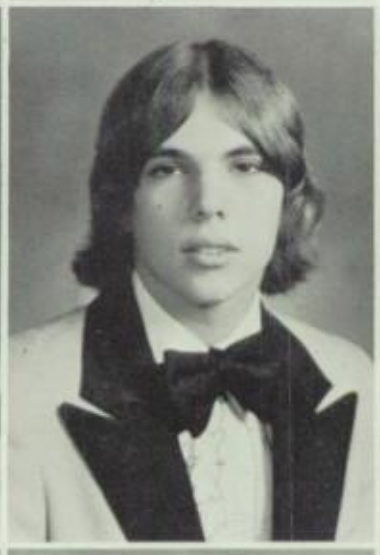
Julie Vercher



Robert Vercher

Connie Vickers

Bonnie Vidrine



Steve Voth

Eddie Webb

Zenobia West

Mac Wharton

Bruce Whatley

Pam White

Faye Wilkerson

Eli Williamson

Keith Willis

Mike Willis

Suzanne Willis

Passing time during homeroom are Glen Stuckey, Mark Townley, Timmy Toups, Gale Sanderson, Pam Perkins, and Terry Perkins.

Debbie Abercrombie

Mark Abrusley

Walter Adams

Roxanne Anderson

Robbie Andrus

Tom Ballard

Eugene Barker

LaDonna Barker

Mike Bond

Juniors spiriting forward

Hubert Bonner
Charles Bradley
Jennifer Bradley
Joey Brown

Gary Carpenter
Gwen Carr
Elsie Carter
Mika Christian

Charles Clauss
Mieche Compton
Mike Corliss
Andre Craig

Art Cross
Joyce Cruse
Annie Davis
Barbara Denton

Steve Dickey
Melinda Dunn
Tammy Durant
Brenda Evins

Just one more year

Cynthia Fontenot
Karl Fontenot
Valerie Ford
Randy Fox

Ernest Green
Kim Grundy
Timothy Guillory
Susie Guree

Brad Hall
Tara Hargrove
Willie Hawkins
Eddies Holmes

Mona Holsomback
Allison Hulick
Priscilla Jack
Sandra Jack

Emmanuel James
Gerald James
Marvin James
Diane Johnson

Kim Johnson
Mannie Johnson
Richard Johnson
Robert Johnson

Sandra Johnson
Kenneth Johnston
Carole Jones
Cliff Jones

Marilyn Jones
Melissa Jones
Chris Karam
Jack Karam

Terri Karam
Debra Laird
Carla Leggett
Francis Lewis

Susan Levron
Suzette Levron
Brenda Mancil
Bridgette Mason

One last

Angie McDaniel
Roy Melbert
Coleen Mohrman

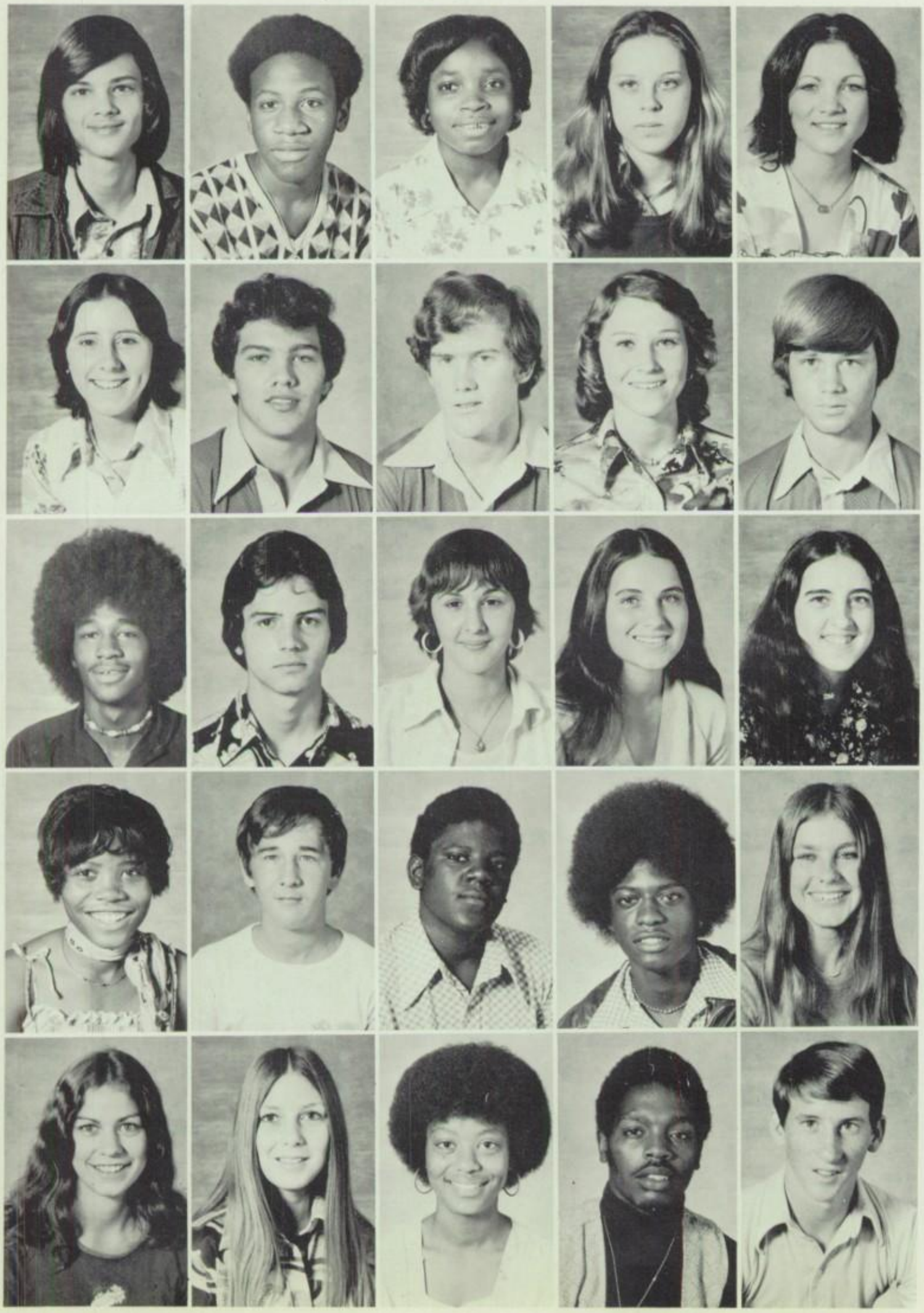
Cheryl Miles
Carol Miller
Cliff Milligan
Clyde Milton

Hattie Mitchell
Linda Myers
Sandra Myers
Mark Pender
Pam Perkins

Sue Perkins
Terry Perkins
Melonie Perry
Herbie Reed
Liz Rollins

David Rowland
Gale Sanderson
Valerie Sharp
Ricky Shivers
Greg Strahan

leap to go



Glen Stuckey
Jerome Sumbler
Linda Sumbler
Debbie Swarthout
Wilma Thompson

Lucinda Topping
Timmy Toups
Mark Townley
Landy Troquille
Dewayne Turner

Robert Turner
Jerry Tyler
Rebecca Vickers
Charlotte Vidrine
Diane Vincent

LaRee Webb
Allen Dale Welch
Willie Whitmore
Fredwin Williams
Debra Willis

Janet Willis
Lisa Willis
Linda Wilson
Steve Wilson
Jimmy Yarbrough

Enjoying the pep rally are football players Tommy Davis and Eric Smith.

Margaret Abercrombie
Tommy Abrusley
Jamie Adams
Larry Adams

Paul Anderson
Jeff Ballard
Lee Ballard
Pamela Ben

Darlene Bergeron
Barbara Bond
Jesse Bond
JoAnn Bonner
Norvin Botley

Melvin Brady
Dale Brandenburg
Troy Brannon
Jackie Brooms
Ernestine Brumfield

The middle class

Roxanne Burnett
Frances Butler
Roland Byrd
Johelen Callahan
Martha Causey

Belinda Chamberlain
James Chase
James Cloud
Malcolm Compton
Mary Craig

Joey Darce
Tommy Davis
Tommy Deloach
Bill Dixon
Carl Doyle

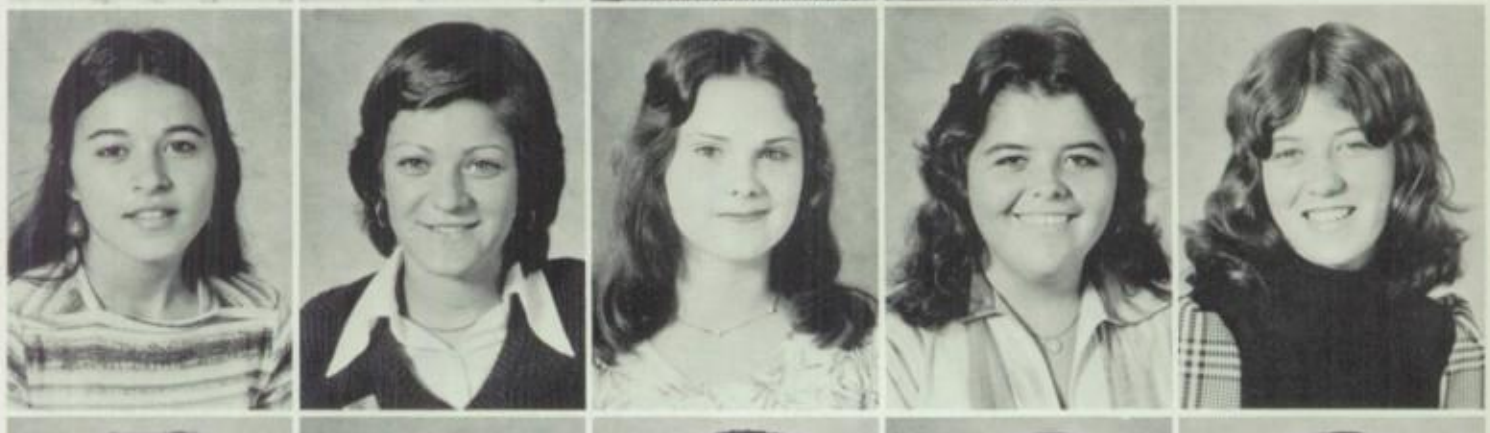
Evelyn Doyle
Connie Durant
J.B. Dyer
Aline Edwards
Johnny Erwin

Steven Espinosa
Sally Evins
Allen Fontenot
Joan Fontenot
Linda Fontenot

The Sophomore Paradox:

Carol Fournerat
Veronica Garrett
Stephanie Gordon
Nancy Grantham
Anthony Granville

Carrie Guree
Beth Hall
Marilyn Harper
Verna Hatsfelt
Janell Hebert

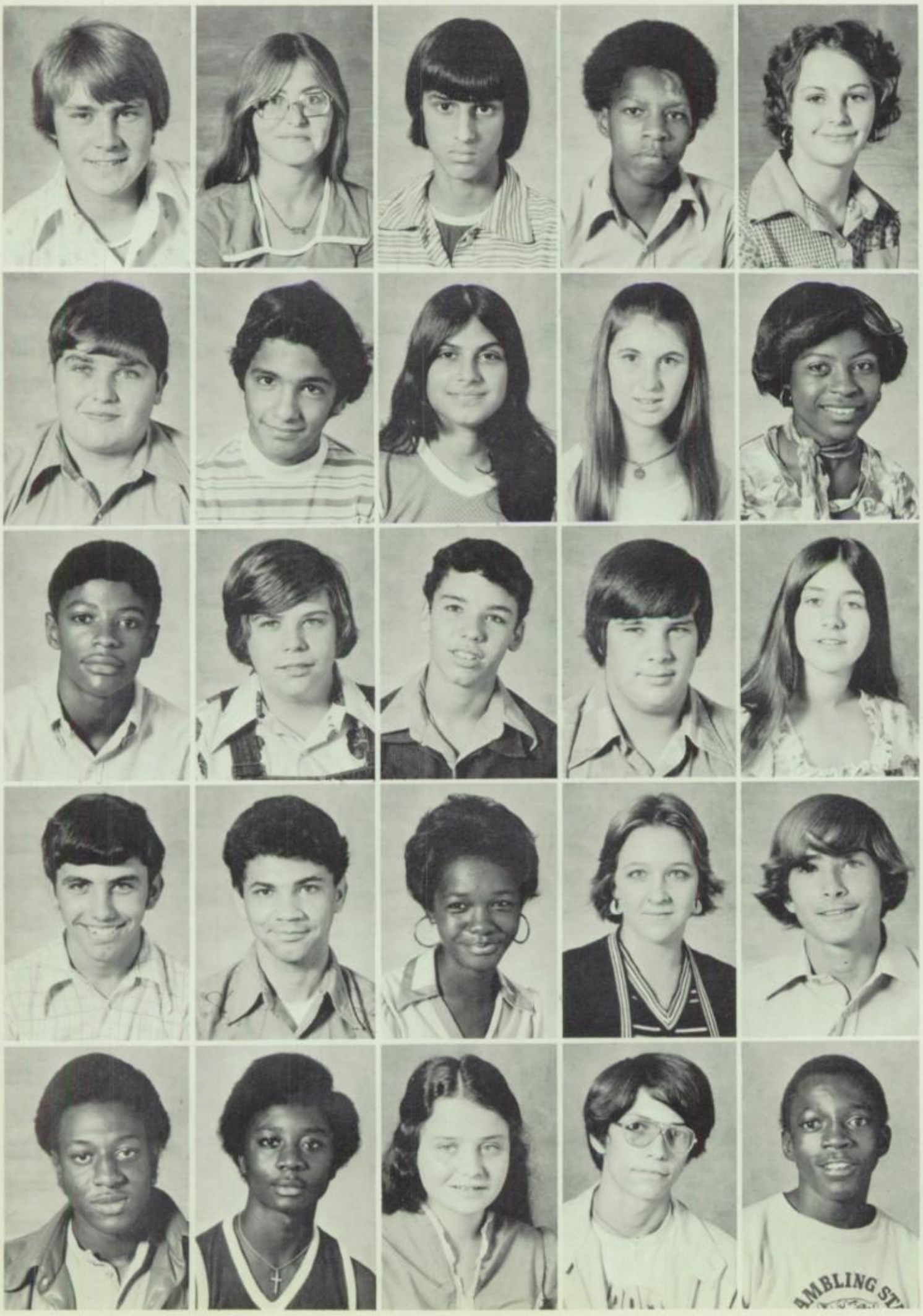


Patricia Henry
Sonja Henry
Shoveone Holden
Jo Lynette Holmes
Nettie Holmes

Barry Horne
Robert Hosea
Darrell Jack
Priscilla Jack
Jimmy Jeansonne

Becky Johnson
Larry Johnson
Marlene Johnson
Michael Johnson
Rhonda Johnson

sophos (wise) and *moros* (foolish)



Ronnie Johnson
Vicki Johnson
Rocky Johnston
Curtis Jones
Pat Jones

Brad Jordan
Jeff Karam
Paula Karam
Dianne Kennedy
Theresa Kenney

Robert Killins
Mike Kuhnell
Robert Klozik
Tommy Lacour
Glenda Laird

Johnny Laird
Robert Laird
Angela Larry
Tina Lee
Mark Markley

James Martin
Gary McKenzie
Dianne McKnight
Gerald Miller
Ira Joe Miller

Sophomores' spirit

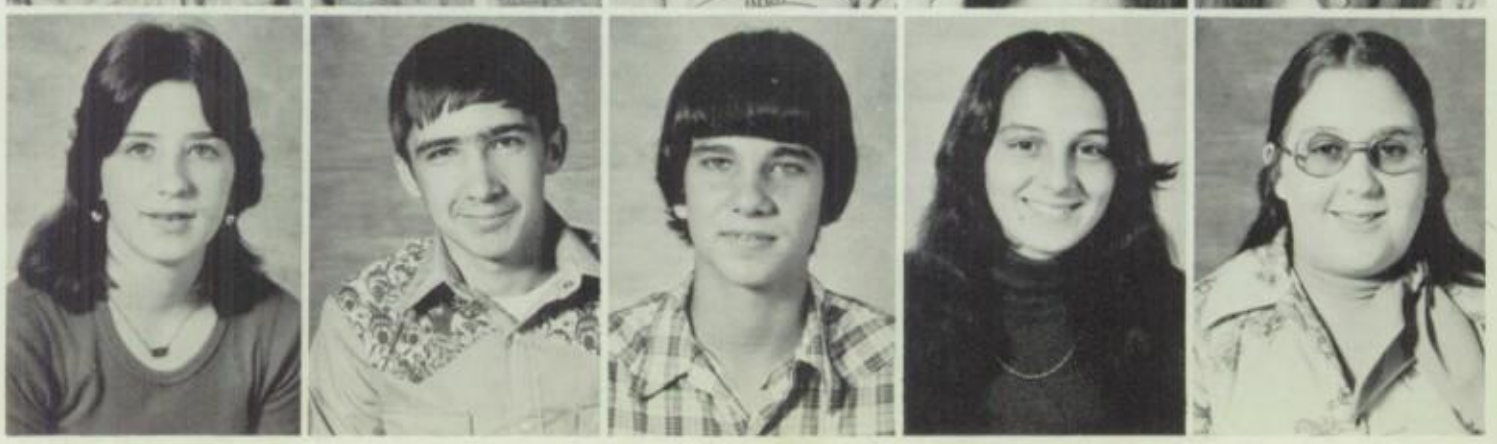
Newton Monk
Marvin Perry
Stephen Presley
Greg Quirk
Veronica Ray

Lisa Reed
Beatrice Remo
Debbie Roberts
Pamela Sampsel
Scotty Scott

Wilton Semien
Pat Sharpe
Robert Shaw
Carol Slaney
Eric Smith

Ginger Smith
Paul Snowden
Denise Soileau
Kelly Stainback
Lisa Stokes

Lisa Strahan
Johnny Strother
Marc Strother
Debra Taylor
Almawade Thigpen



bursts forth

Eric Thomas
Kelly Thomas
Manuela Thornton
Evan Townley
Sandra Townley

Scott Troquille
James Vidrine
Elvin Ware
Wanda Watson
Leo Webb

Randy Welch
Billy Wells
Liz Wells
Michael West
Chris Wharton

Jan Wilkerson
Debra Willis
Dena Willis
Grant Willis
Greg Willis

Jerry Willis
Bonnie Wilson
Jeffrey Winfree
Hal Winn
Karen Yates

Biggest class yet—

Essie Abercrombie
Judi Abrusley
Chris Adams
Royce Anderson
Cliff Andrus

Jenai Ballard
Joe Ballard
Linda Barker
Joseph Bass
Louisa Beard

Jerry Bond
Selena Bond
Becky Boone
Dewayne Boone
Chris Bordelon

Abagail Boudreaux
Michael Brady
Denise Brown
Emma Brunson
Deyonne Bryant

Jenny Byrd
Suzette Byrd
Debbie Chamberlain
Keith Chamberlain
Pam Chambley

Warren Cole
Deborah Craig
Richard Craig
Phillip Darce
Calvin Davis

230 students

Joel Davis
Ronnie Davis
Judy Dennis
Randy Deshotel
Twilla Dickens

Julie Dickey
Raydel Dill
Robbie Doran
Sherry Durant
Carolyn Doyle

Debra Doyle
Michael Droddy
Randy Duck
Darrell Dunn
Debbie Dunn

Matt Dyer
Ernie Fatula
Sam Fleming
Greg Fontenot
Kevin Fournerat

Kathy Gilbert
Joseph Giles
Tony Giles
Oliver Goodeaux
Shirley Gordon

Johnny Granger
Lawson Green
Ronnie Greene
Darrell Gresham
Darlene Grundy

Freshmen float captures

Maureen Grundy
Carla Gueringer
Lisa Guillory
Theresa Hall
Lonnie Harper

Ricky Henry
Sharon Holden
Janice Holmes
Regina House
Shelia Jack

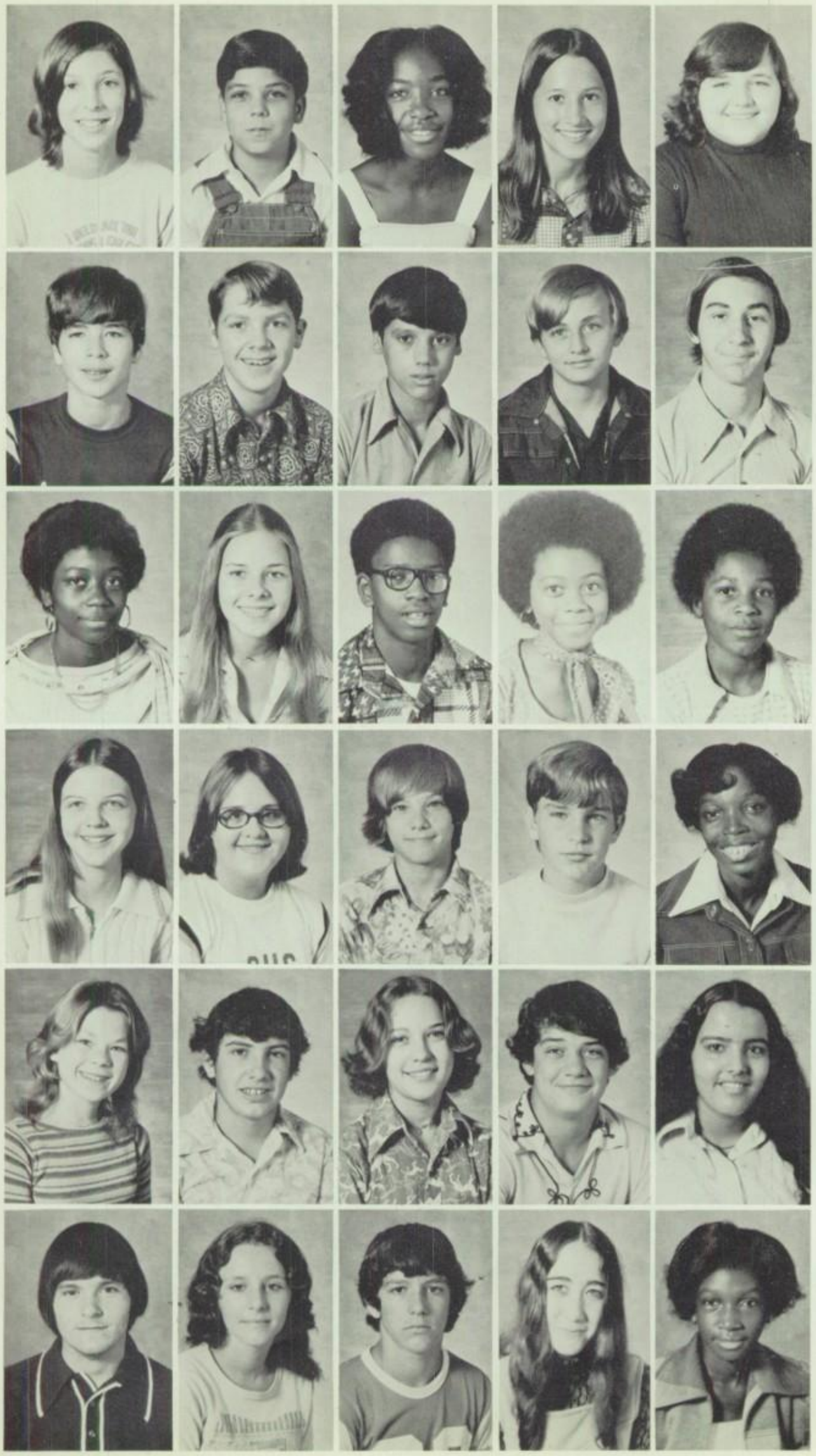
Donald Jackson
Cynthia James
Mary James
Bruce Johnson
Darrell Johnson

Delane Johnson
Denise Johnson
Edward Johnson
Gregory Johnson
James Johnson

Leroy Johnson
Susan Johnson
Edwina Jones
Deirdre Kaough
Hab Karam

Ken Kelly
Cheryl King
Kathleen Lacour
Maureen Lacour
Cecil Laird

first in Homecoming Parade



Dina Laird
L.C. Lambright
Lolette Larry
Carol Leggett
Belinda Lemke

Ronald Maddox
Darrell Mancil
Ricky Mancil
Matt Marcantel
Pierre McGee

Gwen McKenzie
Liz McLain
Chris McNutt
Mary Melbert
Victor Melbert

Rhonda Melder
Cindy Messer
Jeff Monceaux
Lynn Moore
Deborah Murphy

Laura Nesom
Greg Parker
Sophia Pelican
Joey Pender
Barbara Perkins

Stephen Phillips
Edwina Potts
Joe Potts
Deborah Presley
Sheril Randolph

Freshmen

Bobby Rea
Gary Reed
Nadine Rider
Clyde Rougeau
Jennifer Ryder

Sandy Schaeffer
Suzanne Scott
Bobbie Sells
Wanda Shaw
Robert Shird

Rodney Simmons
Kevin Simonet
Rose Sisk
Joseph Skoug
Belinda Soileau

Blaine Stephenson
Tommy Stockman
Darren Strother
David Strother
Eddie Strother

Jessie Strother
Michael Strother
Pam Sumbler
Kenneth Sutterfield
Rodney Sweat

Dennis Tate
Susan Taylor
Cecil Thigpen

just starting off

Romulus Thomas
Tommy Tilton
Kenneth Topping
Peter Toups
Larry Townley

Connie Townsley
Gary Tyler
Nancy Vincent
Jo Ann Waller
James Ware

Johnnie Waston
Gordon Webb
Kenneth West
Linda West
Gary Whatley

Bruce Wheat
Danny White
Richard Williams
Brent Willis
Ronnie Willis

Randy Wilson
Richard Wilson
Tina Wilson
Rhonda Winfree
Dale Winn

Victor Winston
Micheal Yates
Sheryl Young

A Perfect Pose

CHORUS: Bottom row: Cynthia Fontenot, Carol Fourncrat, Debbie Willis, Lisa Willis, Diane Vincent, Melinda Dunn, Virginia Williams, Twilla Dickens, Lisa Stokes, Linda Fontenot, Hattie Mitchell, Allison Hulick, Accompanist, Evelyn Barnaby. *2nd row:* Carol Craig, Gwen Southwell, Linda Wilson, Annie Davis, Roxann Burnett, Debra Laird, Sue Perkins, Judi Abrusley, Brent Willis, Carl Johnson, Wayne Laird, Pamela White, Debbie Roberts, Patricia Henry, Mieche Compton. *3rd Row:* Elsie Carter, Veronica Taylor, Zenobia West, Juanita Jones, Royce Anderson, Keith Chamberlain, Keith Doyle, Eddie Roberts, Michael Droddy, Jerry Tyler, Jack Karam, Chester Hurst, John Jones, Connie Vickers, Tanya Turner, Terrell Moreaux, Wynita Allen.

FLAG CORPS: Veronica Ray; Susan Taylor; Tina Wilson; Linda Dees, Captain; Fheryl Johnson, Co-captain; Twilla Dickens; Carla Leggett; Laura Nesom.

RIFLE CORPS: Faye Wilkerson, Allison Hulick, Mona Holsomback, Mika Christian, Toni Mowad, Captain, Debbie Abrusley, Suzanne Willis.

FBLA: *Bottom row:* Chris Karam, President; Joey Karam, Vice President; Terri Karam, Secretary; Faye Wilkerson, Treasurer; Rebecca Vickers, Historian; Arthur Lee, Parliamentarian. *2nd row:* Barbara Bond, Linda Dees, Susan Taylor, Sally Evins, Susie Guree, Susan Levron, Hab Karam. *3rd row:* Dewayne Turner, Fheryl Johnson, Sandra Johnson, Brenda Mancil, Rhonda Melder, Marilyn Jones, Tara Hargrove, Tommy Davis.

MAJORETTES: Marilyn Jones, Marlene Fogleman, Head Majorette, Tammy Leggett, Tara Hargrove, Terri Karam, Gale Sanderson.

FOOTBALL: Bottom row: Emanuel James, Andre Craig, Steve Wilson, Michael Bradley, Kenny Paul Rainey, Michael Rogers, James Holmes, Anthony Granville, Darrell Johnson. *2nd row:* Eric Smith, Charles Bradley, Eddie Webb, James Semien, Robert Hosea, Tim Guillory, Ernest Green, Dennis Dyer. *3rd row:* Dewayne Turner, Mark Townley, Kendall Johnson, Charles Clauss, Bobby Gobert, Bill Stainback, Tommy Conley, Jimmy Granger, Steve Dickey, Brad Hall. *4th row:* Tommy Lacour, James Yarbrough, Steve Espinosa, Ted Hulick, Ben Cole, Jim Thompson, Michael Corliss, Arthur Lee, Randy Schaefer, Mac Twiner. *5th row:* Ronnie Johnson, Jerry Willis, Leo Webb, Tommy Davis, Gary Gilley, Jamie Adams, Scotty Scott, Seth Solomon, Tommy Abrusley, Tony Johnson. *6th row:* Sidney Dickey, Dana Laird, Grant Willis, Bryan Strother, Michael Willis, Chris Bacon, Jamie Vidrine, Timmy Toups, Sidney Johnson.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Bottom row: Dewayne Boone, Tommy DeLoach, Steve Dickey, Clifton Jones, David Rowland, Willie Hawkins, Manager. *2nd row:* Steve Wilson, Judge Kennedy, Donald Sumbler, Michael Rogers, Robin Kirkland, Mark Abrusley, Darrell Johnson.

All smiles

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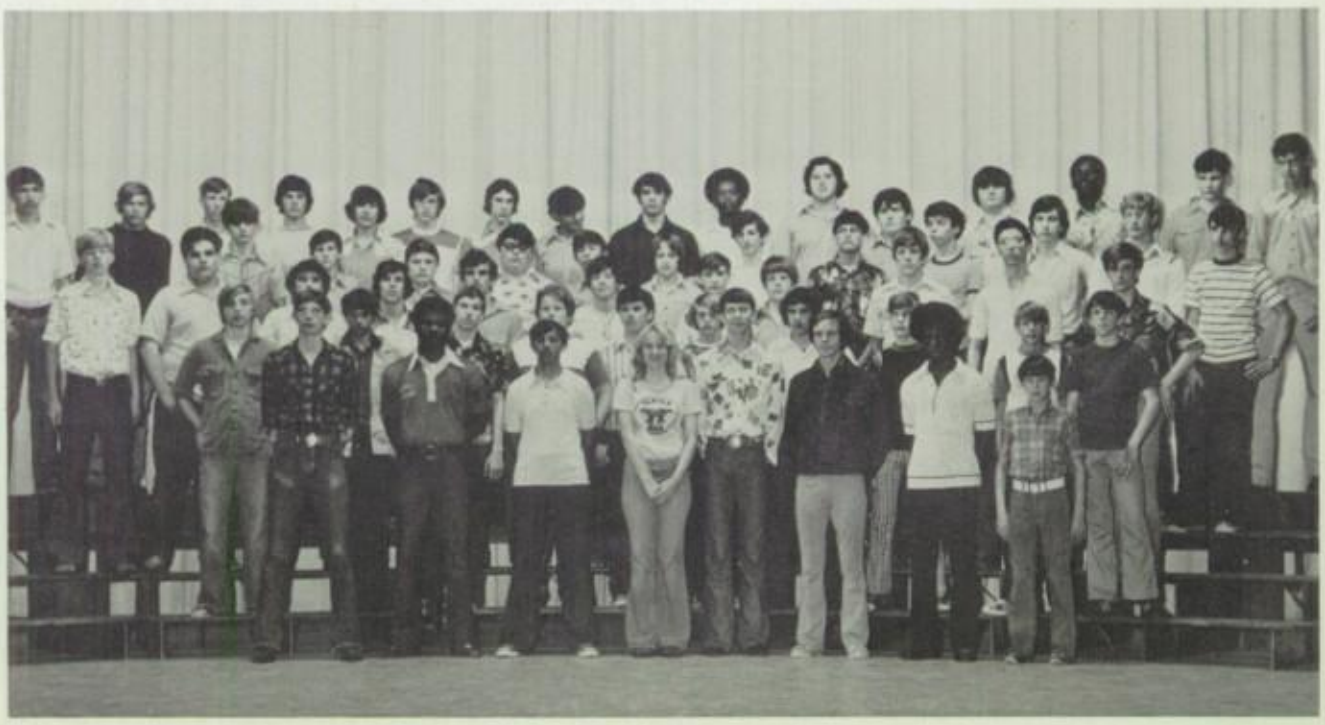

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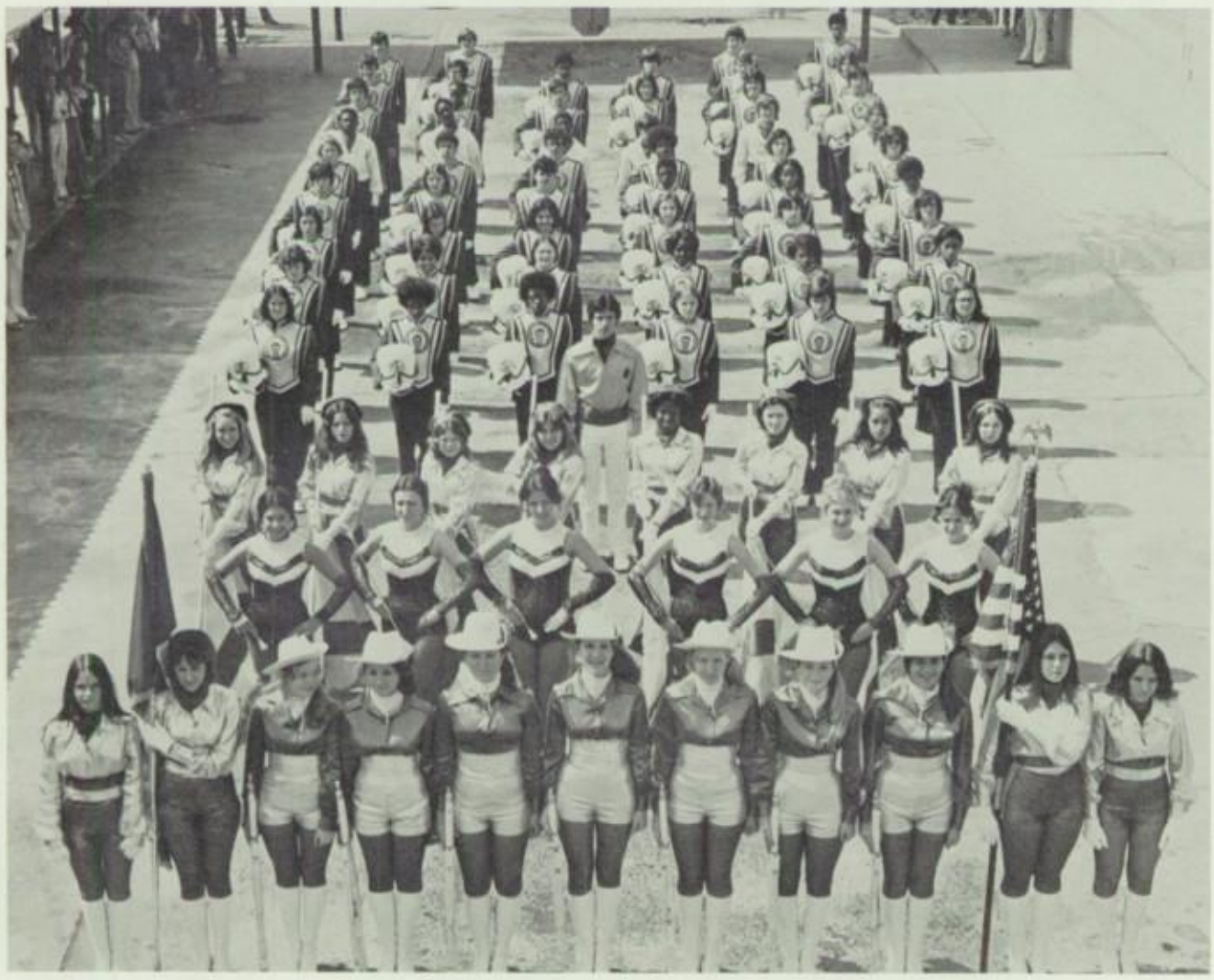

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MATH AWARDS: Nadine Rider, Kathleen Lacour, Tommy Lacour, Terri Karam, Charles Clauss.

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The deserving are honored

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION AWARDS: Debbie Chamberlain, Michael Droddy, Glenda Laird, Wilton Semien, Kathy Johnson.

AGRICULTURE AWARDS: Matt Dyer, Gregory Quirk, Kim Johnson, Danny Bond.

VOCATIONAL AWARDS: Fredwin Williams, Lorraine Phillips, Mark Markley, Wilton Semien, Robert Killins, Hab Karam, Tony Johnson.

MUSIC AWARDS: Chorus, Jerry Tyler; *Band,* Faye Wilkerson.

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Bottom Row

Faye Wilkerson	4.000
Mary Townsley	3.871
Susan Quirk	3.843
Kay Holladay	3.769
James Atkinson	3.750

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Kendall Johnson	3.722
Patricia Harris	3.567
Julie Vercher	3.567
Gwen Hines	3.512
Fheryl Johnson	3.475

Third Row

Toni Mowad	3.450
Fidencia Moncayo	3.444
Linda Dees	3.435
Linda McNutt	3.428
Tammy Leggett	3.368

Fourth Row

Danny Bond	3.361
Susan Donaldson	3.352
Keith Willis	3.351
Rose Anne Deumite	3.341
Johnny Wharton	3.277

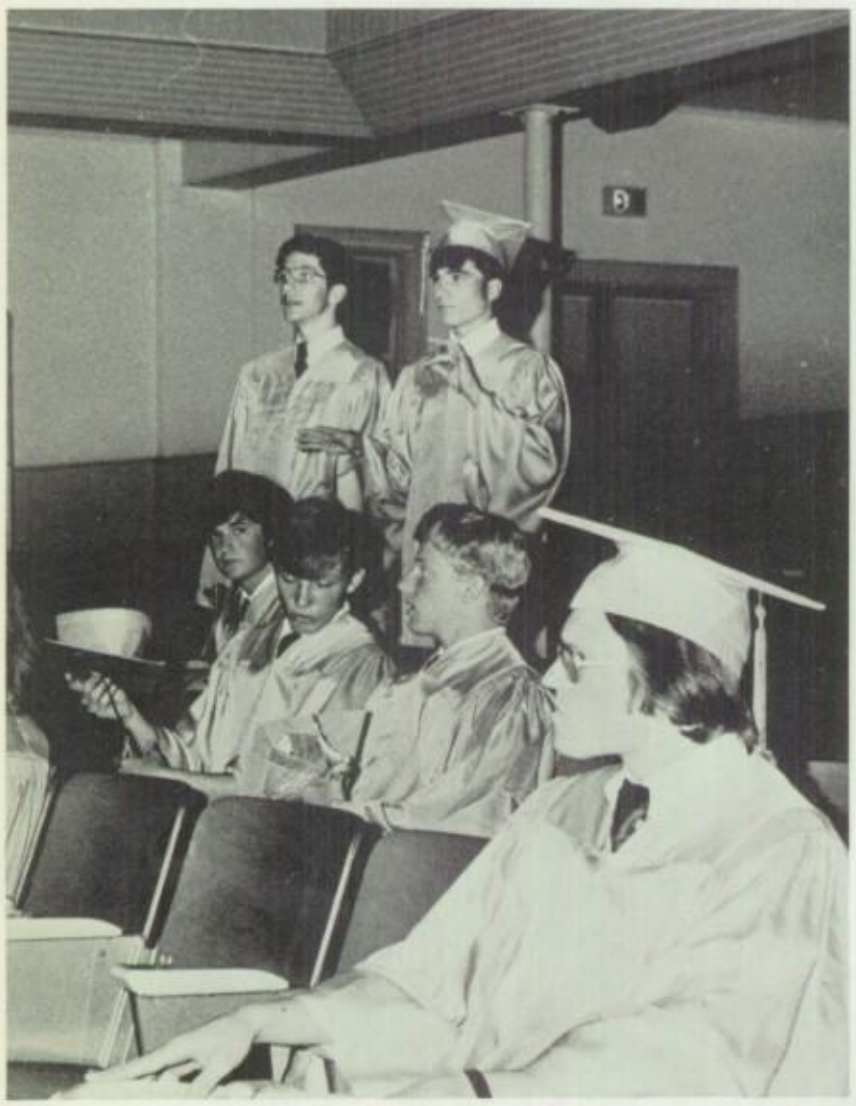
Fifth Row

Malcolm Twiner	3.270
Robert Vercher	3.263
Michael Bradley	3.256
Edward Webb	3.161
Bruce Turner	3.103

Sixth Row

Mary Jo Gordon	3.081
Kathy Johnson	3.076
Dan Boyd	3.000
Robert Bruce	3.000

Spectators watch Mike Rogers as he prepares for another record-breaking jump.



Senior boys wait to be seated for the Hall of Fame picture.

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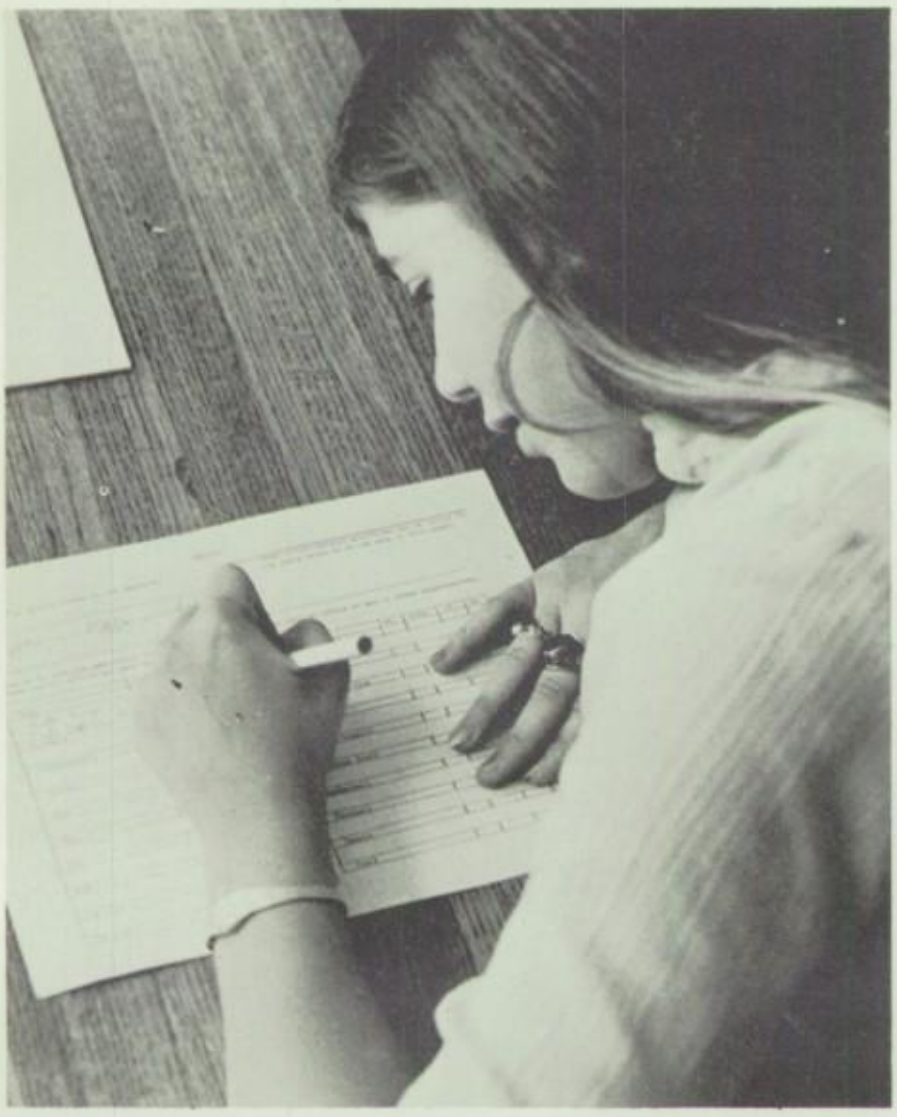

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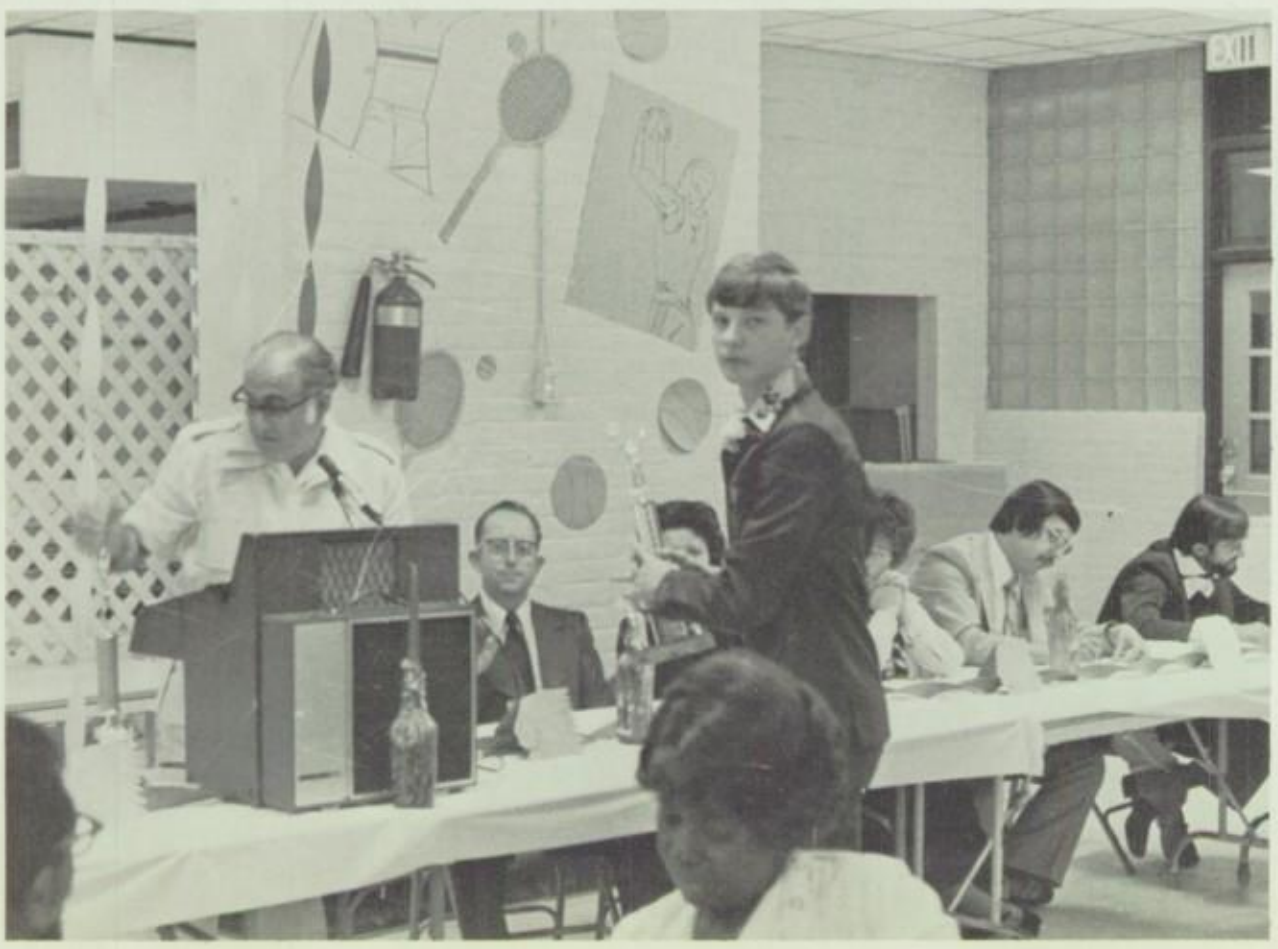

Above left: Completing a Senior Directory Form for the yearbook is Toni Mowad.

Above: A view of 10th street shows the business locations of many of our school supporters.

Left: Receiving the Highest Average Award from Mr. George Ashy is Kendall Johnson.

1975-76 Sports Awards and Records

Receiving the Best All Around Athlete Award from Coach Williams is Michael Rogers.

FOOTBALL
4-2-2

OHS		Opponent
14	Tioga	14
37	Dequincy	6
6	DeRidder	21
0	Eunice	0
20	St. Louis	21
20	Washington	12
42	Leesville	6
16	Westlake	14
6	Jennings	14
19	Rayne	28

TRACK

Tioga Relays	7th out of 8
Rayne Relays	6th out of 10
Eunice Relays	8th out of 15
Leesville Relays	5th out of 6
Oberlin Relays	1st out of 4
Oakdale Relays	3rd out of 7
Allen Parish Relays	2nd out of 6
District Meet	5th out of 6

TENNIS
(4-1-1)

OHS		Opponent
5	De Ridder	4
3	Westlake	7
13	Mamou	0
7	Kinder	2
5	DeRidder	5
8	Sulphur	6

BOYS' BASKETBALL (22-8)

OHS		OPP.
78	Bunkie	59
56	Dry Prong	57
60	Peabody	62
60	Bolton	38
61	DeRidder	59
69	ASH	51
75	Iota	52
67	Fenton	63
53	Lake Arthur	49
71	Bunkie	61
81	Hornbeck	36
47	DeRidder	55
65	Leesville	74
55	ASH (overtime)	58
63	Fairview	42
82	Elizabeth	69
69	Leesville	65
61	Rayne	46
75	Jennings (overtime)	69
91	Eunice	46
63	Westlake	61
63	Washington	66
64	Leesville	55
61	Rayne	63
65	Jennings	53
67	Eunice	48
81	Westlake	55
73	Washington	61
57	Rayne (District playoff)	58
71	Peabody (Bidistrict)	85

GIRLS' BASKETBALL (15-7)

OHS		Opp.
37	Bunkie	27
43	Ville Platte	23
34	Bell City	44
45	Bunkie	28
46	Sulphur	35
23	Kinder	24
22	Opelousas Catholic	28
22	Lawtell	38
42	Leesville	31
38	Rayne	34
35	Jennings	46
46	Westlake	29
37	Eunice	35
35	Washington	18
46	Leesville	21
44	Rayne	38
20	Jennings	54
47	Eunice	36
47	Westlake	33
25	Jena	58
39	Goretti	21
39	Port Barre	23

FOOTBALL

Most Valuable Offensive Lineman .....Mike Willis
Most Valuable Defensive Lineman ....Dana Laird
Most Valuable Offensive Back .....Mike Rogers
Most Valuable Defensive Back .....Eddie Webb
Savage Award.....Darrell Johnson
110% Awards .....Chris Bacon and Ben Cole
Permanent Team Captains .....Bill Stainback
Bryan Strother

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Best Rebounder .....Robin Kirkland
Best Free Throw.....Mark Abrusley

Most Valuable Player.....Judge Kennedy
110% Award .....Donald Sumbler

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Most Valuable Player .....Terrell Moreaux
Best Offensive Player .....Terrell Moreaux
Best Defensive Player .....Tammy Leggett
Senior Awards .....Mary Jo Gordon, Gwen Hines
Lettermen Awards .....Pearl Hines, Nita Jones, Gale Sanderson

TENNIS

Most Valuable .....Art Cross, Allison Hulick
Most Improved .....Jack Karam
Paula Karam

TRACK AND FIELD

Most Valuable Track.....Darrell Johnson
Most Valuable Field .....Mike Rogers
110% Award.....Kendall Johnson

SPECIAL AWARDS

Scholastic Awards.....Gwen Hines
Kendall Johnson

Best All Around Athlete.....Mike Rogers

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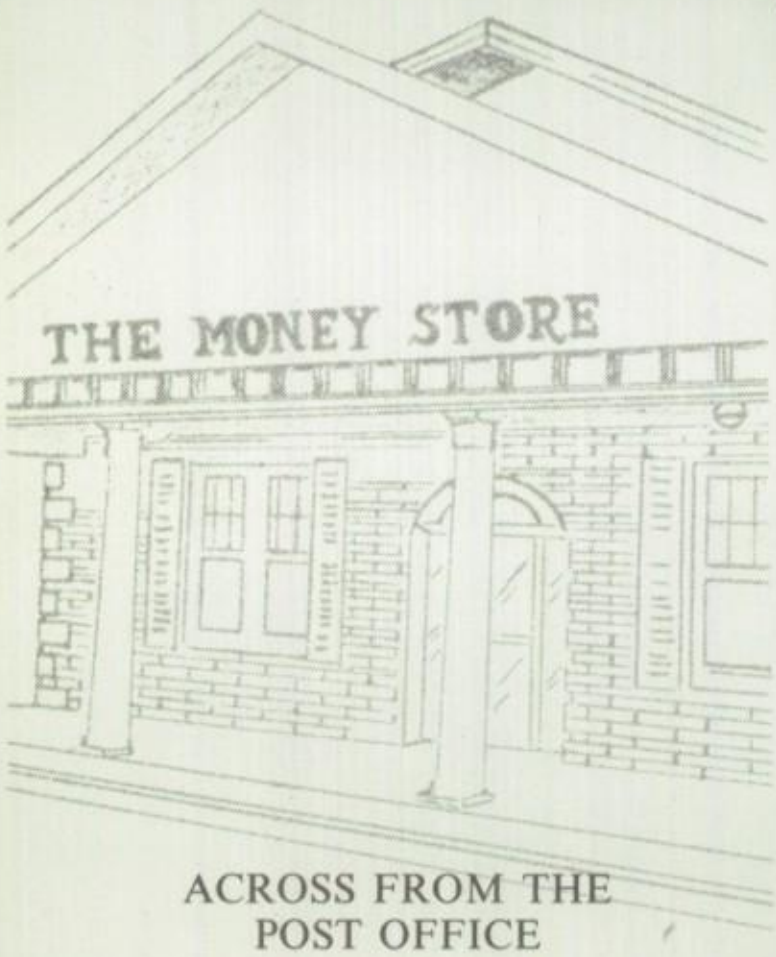

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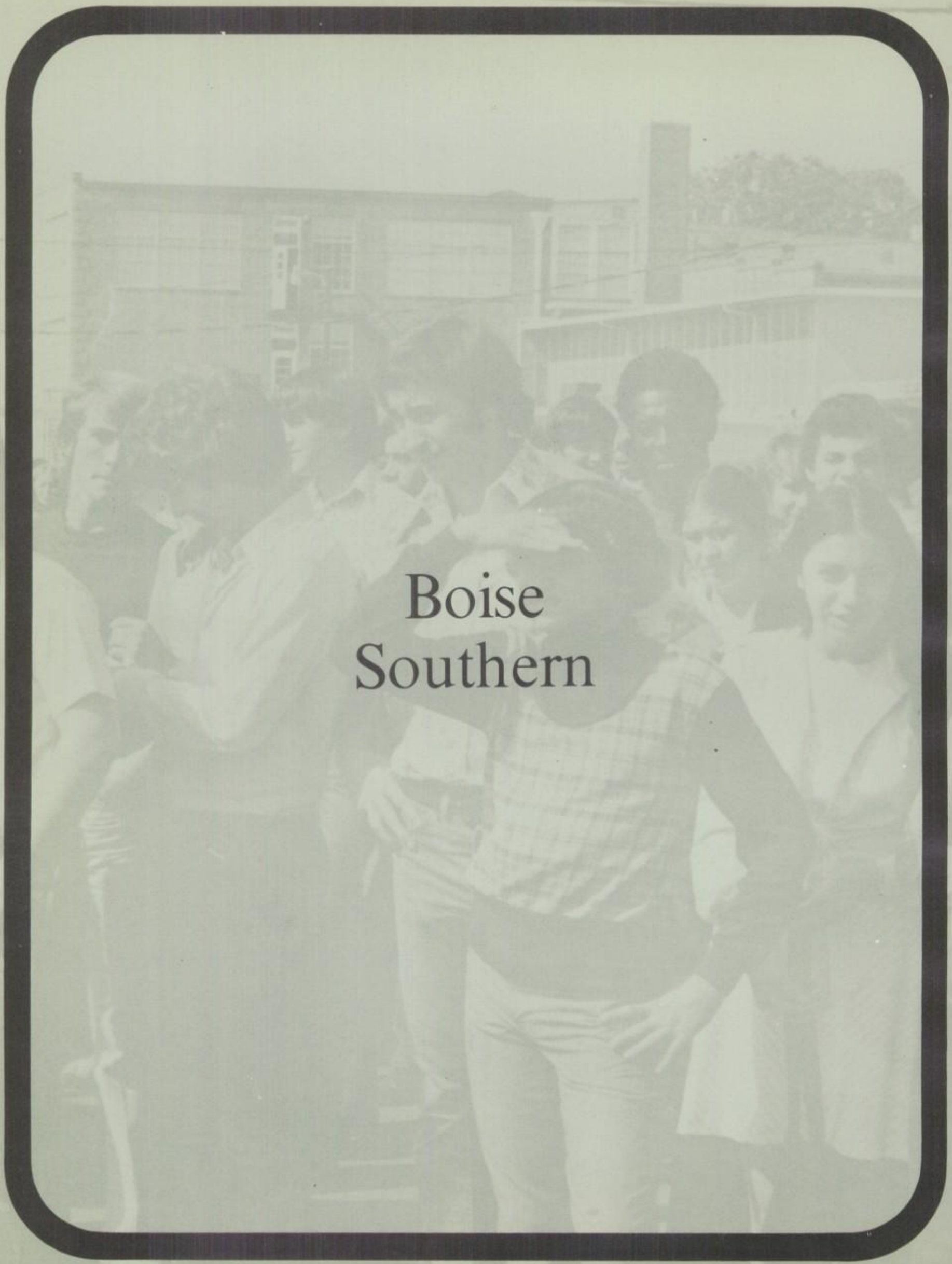

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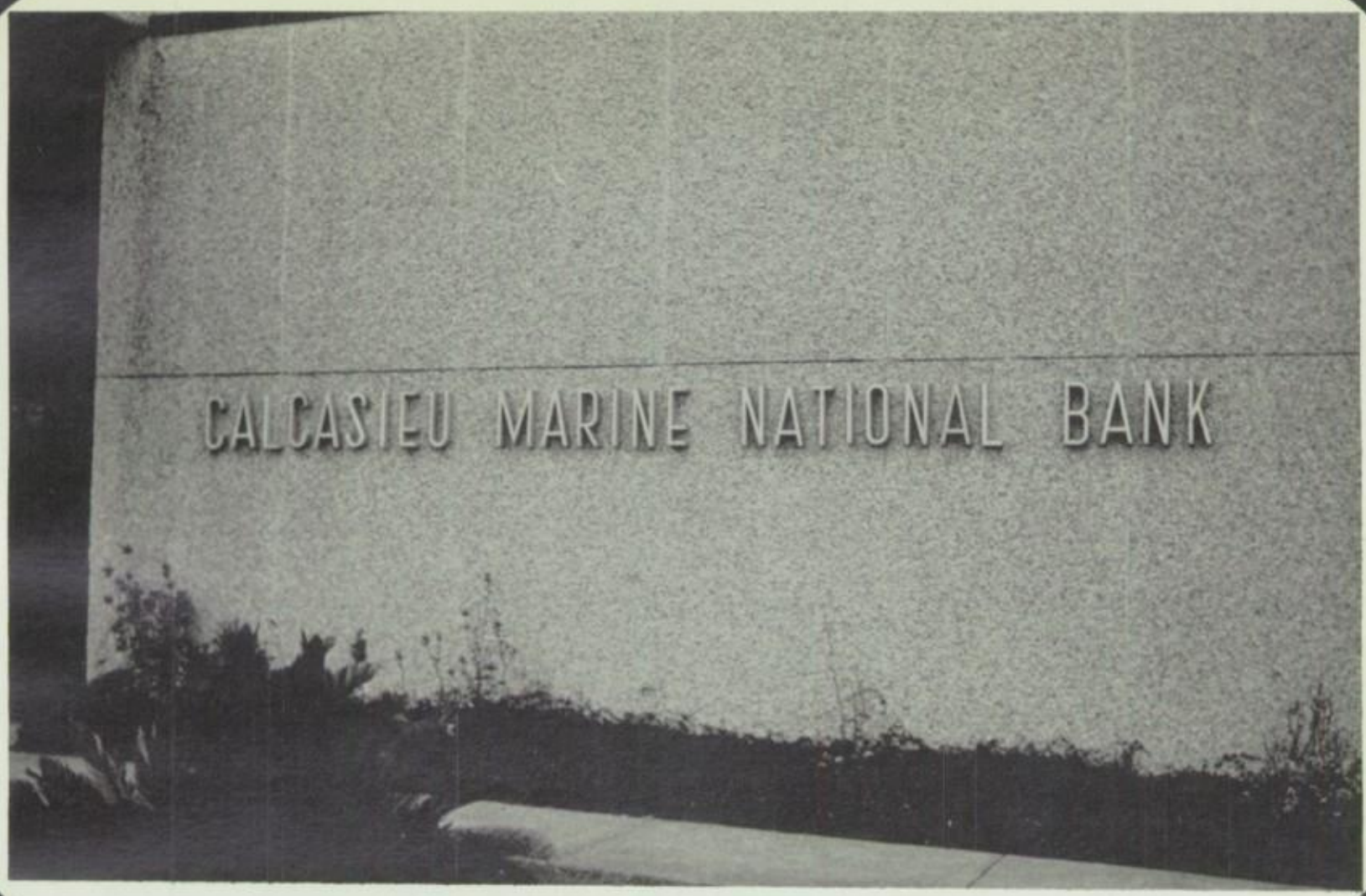

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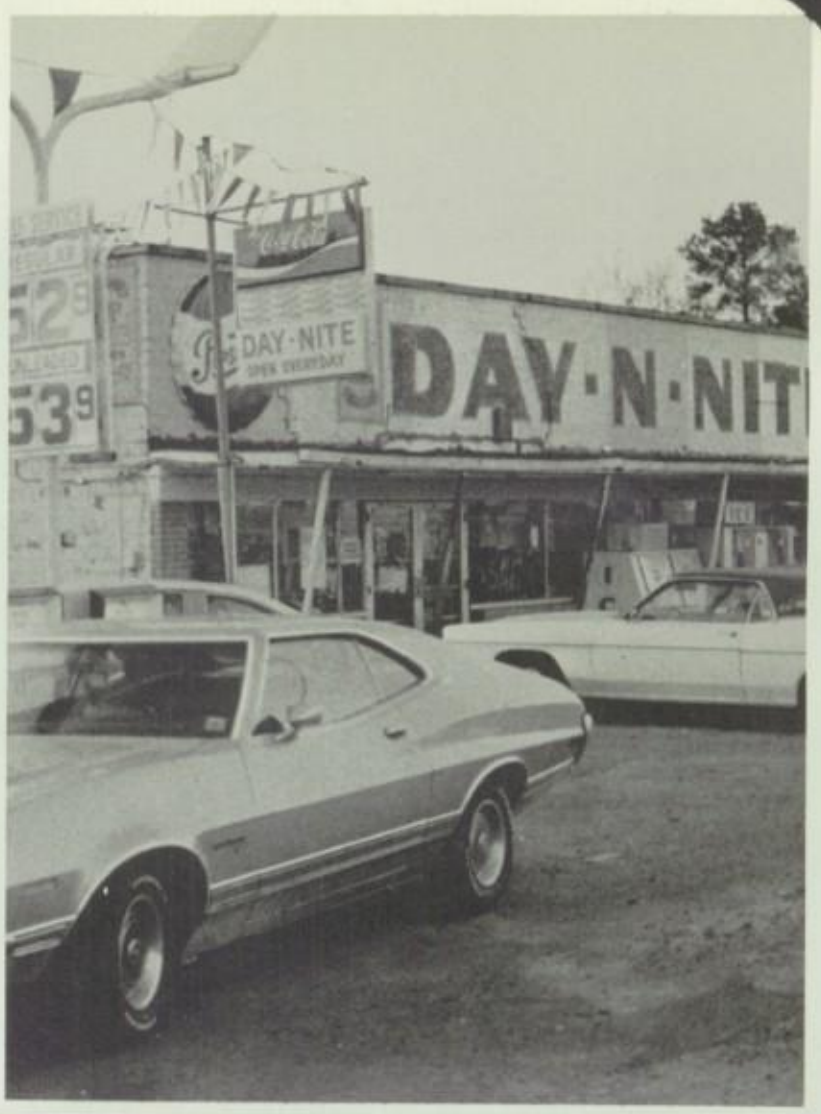

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